

Tesla-on-Tesla crash of defective cars kills woman as she celebrated her 21st birthday

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That car was being driven by 23-year-old Daniel Dantas of Ludlow, Massachusetts. Both drivers suffered only minor injuries.

But Dantas' passenger, Alexis Newcomb of Ashburnham, Massachusetts, was rushed to William W. Backus Hospital, where she was pronounced dead on her 21st birthday.

Police are still investigating.



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