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## Meridian Man Dies in Rail Accident

Emergency responders Thursday night were called to the scene of a rail accident involving an employee of Norfolk Southern Railway in Meridian.

The call came in around 10:50 and once at the scene, paramedics with Metro Ambulance found 41 year old Darrell Amerson trapped under one of the train cars. Coroner Clayton Cobbler says it took several minutes to remove the victim from under the car. In the accident Amerson's leg was almost entirely severed.

"With that information and the amount of blood he has lost I'm suspecting pulmonary embolism which means air entered the circulatory system and during surgery it just happened to break loose and go to the heart or lung," says Coroner Clayton Cobbler. However, Cobbler says that is just his best guess through observing the situation. Preliminary autopsy results should be available Monday.

Amerson is a veteran of the Navy. He leaves behind his wife, five children and three grandchildren. His wife says Amerson was a conductor for the railway.



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