
Family remembers 21-year-old killed in Cheektowaga crash

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CHEEKTOWAGA, N.Y. - Quinton McClain said his daughter, 21-year-old Jacquelyn McClain, had come a long way from the person she was growing up.

"She was at the point where she finally realized what she was doing, you know, the ripping and running and being out on the streets was a bit much," Quinton said. "She was like, 'you know what Dad, I need to get it together and I'm going to start taking care of myself and take care of my son like I need to.'"

Jacquelyn was killed in a crash Tuesday night at the intersection of Rossler Avenue and Dingens Street in Cheektowaga. Cheektowaga Police say she was the passenger in a Honda Accord. The 22-year-old woman driving the car sped through a red light and was t-boned by another vehicle.

The driver of the Honda is currently being treated at ECMC in fair condition. Asst. Chief Michael Sliwinski tells News 4 both women were ejected from the car, and Quinton said police told him his daughter wasn't wearing a seat belt.

Now, he's left without a daughter, and Jacquelyn's two-year-old son, Damon, is left without a mother.

"We're just going to keep showing him and make sure he never forgets that she was there for him," Quinton said. "She was a great mother - she was just a great person.

It remains unclear why the Honda Accord was speeding on Rossler Avenue and didn't stop at the red light. Sliwinski said Cheektowaga Police are investigation all aspects surrounding the crash, and he expects to talk with the Erie County District Attorney.

This is a developing story; we'll have more information as it becomes available.