

# Driver Kills Man Selling Bottled Water On Queens Sidewalk

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1 [Michael Munoz](#)

An unemployed tennis instructor trying to make a few bucks selling bottles of water along a Whitestone Expressway service road was fatally struck by the 78-year-old driver of a Toyota Camry yesterday afternoon. According to the NYPD, the driver "jumped the sidewalk" at approximately 2:45 p.m. and fatally struck 42-year-old Michael Munoz in the Whitestone section of Queens. The driver and the passenger sustained minor injuries and no charges have been filed.

Munoz's brother [told the Post](#) he recently lost his job as a coach for a junior tennis league in The Bronx, and was selling water by the highway to make money. "My brother was a good man," Raphael Munoz, 50, told the tabloid. "Not a bad bone in his body." And in [an interview with ABC 7](#), Munoz added that their mother was hit and killed by a car a few years ago. "I'm angry but that's

not gonna do nothing, I'm more sad because I'm not going to see my brother again," said Munoz. "We were just making plans to go see my mother at the graveyard."

The official NYPD statement on the collision says the investigation is "ongoing," but both ABC and the Post's sources say there's no criminality suspected.

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