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**Thomas E. Arruda**

**UMass student from Somerset is killed when car hits utility pole in Wellesley**

WELLESLEY, Mass. — Thomas E. Arruda, 18, of 1000 Elm St., Somerset, a student at the University of Massachusetts Engineering School at Amherst, was fatally injured Friday night when the car in which he was riding failed to negotiate a curve on Forest Street and hit a utility pole.

He died at the Newton-Wellesley Hospital, Newton.

The driver, Bruce White of Beverly, 18, and another passenger, John Gillen, 18, of Georgetown, were injured, but not seriously. They were en route to a dance at Babson Institute when the accident occurred at 7:30, Wellesley police said.

Born in Somerset, Mr. Arruda was a son of Edgar and Louise (Medeiros) Arruda.

He was a communicant of St. Patrick's Church, Somerset.

Besides his parents he leaves his paternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Arruda Sr. of Tiverton, and his maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William Medeiros of Fall River.

The funeral will be held Tuesday at 9 a.m. from the Rose E. Sullivan Funeral Home, 866 County St., Somerset, with a funeral Mass at 10 at St. Patrick's Church. Burial will be in St. Patrick's Cemetery, Somerset.