

Orphans Killed in Deadly Crash Buried in Moscow Cemetery

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Flowers left alongside Minskaya Ulitsa, where the five orphans died in tragic circumstances Saturday.

Five orphans killed when a drunk driver careered into a bus stop over the weekend were buried Wednesday at Moscow's Vostryakovskoye Cemetery.

The ceremony was attended by 300 people, including city social workers and caregivers from the Children's Care Home No. 7, where the orphans were raised, RIA-Novosti reported.

The victims, aged between 14 and 18, were buried in a single grave.

At the time of the crash on Minskaya Ulitsa in the city's southwest on Saturday afternoon, the orphans were returning from the Moscow Arts and Crafts Festival with a caregiver and her husband. All seven died at the scene.

Police arrested the driver responsible, identified in media reports as Alexander Maximov, 30, who said he had been drinking for two days prior to the tragedy.

Maximov is awaiting trial on charges of multiple manslaughter while driving under the influence of alcohol, which carry a maximum sentence of up to nine years in jail followed by a three-year ban on driving.

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