A UNIVERSITI Malaya law student and his two friends were killed when their car collided with a lorry in Bukit Cina, near Kok Lanas, on Wednesday.

Victims Wee Wai Hwa, 24, who would have graduated in July, housewife Tan Phei Shia, also 24, and car driver Euu Win Lee, 30, a mechanic, all died on the spot in the 7.30pm crash.

The three suffered serious head and bodily injuries when they were pinned under the lorry following the collision.

Acting district police chief Deputy Superintendent Ahmad Zaki Ibrahim said the lorry driver who had yet to be identified was believed to have escaped unhurt in the incident.

He said initial investigations indicated that Euu had lost control of the car before skidding into the opposite lane and colliding with the lorry, which was heading towards Machang.

"The collision caused the lorry to land on top of the car and caused the three to be crushed underneath."

Ahmad Zaki said firemen had to be called to the scene to extricate the three bodies from the mangled car.

He said the bodies had been sent to Universiti Sains Malaysia Hospital in Kubang Kerian for a post-mortem.

Meanwhile, about 50 relatives and family members of the victims turned up at the hospital's mortuary at midnight to claim the bodies.

A close friend of Wee said the three victims were returning to Kuala Lumpur separately last night (Wednesday) and tomorrow (today). The father had asked Wee not to go as they were supposed to attend a dinner in the evening but his son insisted on going with the two and promised to return as soon as possible.

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Wee Wat Hwa, who would have graduated in July, Tan Phei Shia, and the driver of the car, Eyu Win Lee, died on the spot in the Jalan Kota Bharu-Kuala Krai crash. Pic by Azlan Hafeedz