



# **Aviation Investigation Final Report**

Location: SARASOTA, Florida Accident Number: MIA86LA041

Date & Time: December 8, 1985, 17:50 Local Registration: N1158M

Aircraft: CESSNA 337F Aircraft Damage: Substantial

**Defining Event:** 2 None

Flight Conducted Under: Part 91: General aviation

### **Analysis**

THE PLT STATED THAT ALL ATTEMPTS TO EXTEND THE LANDING GEAR WERE TO NO AVAIL. HE THEN INTENTIONALLY LANDED GEAR UP ON THE LEFT SIDE OF RWY 4.

## **Probable Cause and Findings**

The National Transportation Safety Board determines the probable cause(s) of this accident to be:

### <u>Findings</u>

Occurrence #1: AIRFRAME/COMPONENT/SYSTEM FAILURE/MALFUNCTION

Phase of Operation: APPROACH

#### **Findings**

1. (C) HYDRAULIC SYSTEM - FAILURE, TOTAL

2. (C) FLUID, HYDRAULIC - LOSS, TOTAL

Occurrence #2: GEAR NOT EXTENDED

Phase of Operation: LANDING - FLARE/TOUCHDOWN

#### Findings

3. WHEELS UP LANDING - INTENTIONAL - PILOT IN COMMAND

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# **Factual Information**

### **Pilot Information**

Certificate:	Private	Age:	58,Male
Airplane Rating(s):	Single-engine land; Multi-engine land	Seat Occupied:	Left
Other Aircraft Rating(s):	None	Restraint Used:	
Instrument Rating(s):	Airplane	Second Pilot Present:	No
Instructor Rating(s):	None	Toxicology Performed:	No
Medical Certification:	Class 2 Valid Medicalw/ waivers/lim	Last FAA Medical Exam:	June 30, 1983
Occupational Pilot:	No	Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	
Flight Time:	2446 hours (Total, all aircraft), 946 hours (Total, this make and model), 2279 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 27 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft), 2 hours (Last 24 hours, all aircraft)		

# Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	CESSNA	Registration:	N1158M
Model/Series:	337F 337F	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:		Amateur Built:	
Airworthiness Certificate:	Normal	Serial Number:	33701358
Landing Gear Type:	Retractable - Tricycle	Seats:	6
Date/Type of Last Inspection:	September 1, 1985 Annual	Certified Max Gross Wt.:	4500 lbs
Time Since Last Inspection:		Engines:	2 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:	2000 Hrs	Engine Manufacturer:	CONTINENTAL
ELT:	Installed, not activated	Engine Model/Series:	IO-360-C
Registered Owner:	ROBERT J. STINNETT	Rated Power:	210 Horsepower
Operator:		Operating Certificate(s) Held:	None
Operator Does Business As:		Operator Designator Code:	

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## **Meteorological Information and Flight Plan**

Conditions at Accident Site:	Visual (VMC)	Condition of Light:	Dusk
Observation Facility, Elevation:	SRQ ,27 ft msl	Distance from Accident Site:	
Observation Time:	17:51 Local	Direction from Accident Site:	
<b>Lowest Cloud Condition:</b>	Scattered / 5000 ft AGL	Visibility	10 miles
Lowest Ceiling:	None	Visibility (RVR):	
Wind Speed/Gusts:	4 knots /	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:	50°	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:	30 inches Hg	Temperature/Dew Point:	21°C / 14°C
Precipitation and Obscuration:	No Obscuration; No Precipita	ition	
Departure Point:	SUNSET STRIP , FL (32X)	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	None
Destination:	SARASOTA , FL (SRQ )	Type of Clearance:	None
Departure Time:	16:50 Local	Type of Airspace:	Class E

# **Airport Information**

Airport:	SARASOTA BRADENTON SRQ	Runway Surface Type:	Grass/turf
Airport Elevation:	27 ft msl	<b>Runway Surface Condition:</b>	Dry
Runway Used:	4	IFR Approach:	None
Runway Length/Width:	5006 ft / 150 ft	VFR Approach/Landing:	Forced landing

# **Wreckage and Impact Information**

Crew Injuries:	1 None	Aircraft Damage:	Substantial
Passenger Injuries:	1 None	Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	2 None	Latitude, Longitude:	27.790241,-82.289215(est)

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#### **Administrative Information**

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	Hill, Bruce
Additional Participating Persons:	
Original Publish Date:	
Last Revision Date:	
Investigation Class:	<u>Class</u>
Note:	
Investigation Docket:	https://data.ntsb.gov/Docket?ProjectID=31554

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