



Aviation Investigation Final Report

Location: FT. LAUDERDALE, Florida Incident Number: MIA87IA038

Date & Time: November 27, 1986, 11:02 Local Registration: N5WE

Aircraft: BEECH BE-95-55 Aircraft Damage: None

Defining Event: Injuries: 7 None

Flight Conducted Under: Part 91: General aviation - Personal

Analysis

THE PRIVATE PILOT SUFFERED A MASSIVE HEART ATTACK IN CRUISE FLIGHT SHORTLY AFTER TAKE-OFF. THE PILOTS WIFE WHO HELD AN EXPIRED PRIVATE PILOTS CERTIFICATE TOOK OVER AND LANDED SUCCESSFULLY. THE PILOT WAS PRONOUNCED DECEASED UPON ARRIVAL AT A LOCAL HOSPITAL. NO RECORD OF ANY PRE-EXISTING KNOWN CONDITION WAS FOUND DURING INTERVIEWS WITH RELATIVES AND FRIENDS. THE AUTOPSY REVEALED EVIDENCE OF A PREVIOUS MYACARDIAL INFARCTION. SEVERE NARROWING OF THE CARDIOVASCULAR ARTERIES AND EMPHYSEMA.

Probable Cause and Findings

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

Findings

Occurrence #1: MISCELLANEOUS/OTHER

Phase of Operation: CRUISE

Findings

1. (C) INCAPACITATION(CARDIOVASCULAR) - PILOT IN COMMAND

Factual Information

Pilot Information

Certificate:	Private	Age:	59,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:	Yes
Medical Certification:	Unknown Valid Medicalno waivers/lim.	Last FAA Medical Exam:	
Occupational Pilot:	No	Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	
Flight Time:	7855 hours (Total, all aircraft), 4600 hours (Total, this make and model), 7620 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 120 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft), 2 hours (Last 24 hours, all aircraft)		

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	BEECH	Registration:	N5WE
Model/Series:	BE-95-55 BE-95-55	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:		Amateur Built:	
Airworthiness Certificate:	Normal	Serial Number:	TC-1577
Landing Gear Type:	Retractable - Tricycle	Seats:	6
Date/Type of Last Inspection:	Annual	Certified Max Gross Wt.:	5100 lbs
Time Since Last Inspection:		Engines:	2 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:	4800 Hrs	Engine Manufacturer:	CONTINENTAL
ELT:	Installed, not activated	Engine Model/Series:	IO-520E
Registered Owner:	SOL FUCHS	Rated Power:	285 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:	Day
Observation Facility, Elevation:	FLL ,10 ft msl	Distance from Accident Site:	
Observation Time:	10:47 Local	Direction from Accident Site:	
Lowest Cloud Condition:	Scattered / 2000 ft AGL	Visibility	12 miles
Lowest Ceiling:	Broken / 20000 ft AGL	Visibility (RVR):	
Wind Speed/Gusts:	5 knots /	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:	130°	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:	30 inches Hg	Temperature/Dew Point:	27°C / 19°C
Precipitation and Obscuration:	No Obscuration; No Precipitation		
Departure Point:	FT. LAUDERDALE , FL (FLL)	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	VFR
Destination:	NEW PORT RICHEY, FL (X28)	Type of Clearance:	VFR
Departure Time:	10:50 Local	Type of Airspace:	

Airport Information

Airport:	FT. LAUDERDALE FLL	Runway Surface Type:	Asphalt
Airport Elevation:	0 ft msl	Runway Surface Condition:	Dry
Runway Used:	0	IFR Approach:	
Runway Length/Width:	0 ft / 0 ft	VFR Approach/Landing:	

Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 None	Aircraft Damage:	None
Passenger Injuries:	6 None	Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	7 None	Latitude, Longitude:	

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Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	Alston, Andrew	
Additional Participating Persons:	HARVEY GOLDBERG; FT. LAUDE	RDALE, FL
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Last Revision Date:		
Investigation Class:	<u>Class</u>	
Note:		
Investigation Docket:	https://data.ntsb.gov/Docket?ProjectID=31787	

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