



## National Transportation Safety Board Aviation Accident Factual Report

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<b>Location:</b>	NAPPANEE, IN	<b>Accident Number:</b>	CHI95LA208
<b>Date &amp; Time:</b>	07/01/1995, 1150 CDT	<b>Registration:</b>	N13734
<b>Aircraft:</b>	CESSNA 177B	<b>Aircraft Damage:</b>	Substantial
<b>Defining Event:</b>		<b>Injuries:</b>	2 None

**Flight Conducted Under:** Part 91: General Aviation - Personal

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On July 1, 1995, at 1150 central daylight time, a Cessna 177B, N13734, sustained substantial damage during a forced landing due to loss of engine power near Nappanee, Indiana. The private pilot reported no injury. The 14 CFR Part 91 flight departed Rochester, Indiana, enroute to Mishawaka, Indiana. Visual meteorological conditions prevailed and no flight plan was filed.

In his written statements and phone conversations, the pilot reported that he had departed Mishawaka with the fuel gauges indicating 1/2 full. He landed at Rochester, Indiana, but did not refuel before returning to Mishawaka. While returning, he executed a practice approach and missed approach at Goshen, Indiana. As he was proceeding to the Goshen VOR (GHS) for the missed approach procedure, the engine sputtered and he shut the engine down. He had been flying for about two hours when this occurred.

He then picked out a field and proceeded with the forced landing. He touched down in a bean field that he had picked out as his landing spot. Due to the recent rains the ground was soft. After traveling about 200 feet, the nose wheel dug into the dirt and the airplane to flipped over onto its back.

During the inspection of the airplane, both wing tank sumps were drained and each contained about 1/3 cup of fuel.

## Pilot Information

<b>Certificate:</b>	Private	<b>Age:</b>	59, Male
<b>Airplane Rating(s):</b>	Single-engine Land	<b>Seat Occupied:</b>	Left
<b>Other Aircraft Rating(s):</b>	None	<b>Restraint Used:</b>	Seatbelt
<b>Instrument Rating(s):</b>	None	<b>Second Pilot Present:</b>	No
<b>Instructor Rating(s):</b>	None	<b>Toxicology Performed:</b>	No
<b>Medical Certification:</b>	Class 3 Valid Medical--w/ waivers/lim.	<b>Last FAA Medical Exam:</b>	04/28/1995
<b>Occupational Pilot:</b>		<b>Last Flight Review or Equivalent:</b>	
<b>Flight Time:</b>	892 hours (Total, all aircraft), 474 hours (Total, this make and model)		

## Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

<b>Aircraft Make:</b>	CESSNA	<b>Registration:</b>	N13734
<b>Model/Series:</b>	177B 177B	<b>Aircraft Category:</b>	Airplane
<b>Year of Manufacture:</b>		<b>Amateur Built:</b>	No
<b>Airworthiness Certificate:</b>	Normal; Utility	<b>Serial Number:</b>	17702463
<b>Landing Gear Type:</b>	Tricycle	<b>Seats:</b>	4
<b>Date/Type of Last Inspection:</b>	03/11/1995, Annual	<b>Certified Max Gross Wt.:</b>	2500 lbs
<b>Time Since Last Inspection:</b>	40 Hours	<b>Engines:</b>	1 Reciprocating
<b>Airframe Total Time:</b>	1848 Hours	<b>Engine Manufacturer:</b>	LYCOMING
<b>ELT:</b>	Installed, activated, did not aid in locating accident	<b>Engine Model/Series:</b>	O-360
<b>Registered Owner:</b>	ALEX J. NAGY III	<b>Rated Power:</b>	180 hp
<b>Operator:</b>	ALEX J. NAGY III	<b>Operating Certificate(s) Held:</b>	

## Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	Visual Conditions	Condition of Light:	Day
Observation Facility, Elevation:	, 0 ft msl	Distance from Accident Site:	0 Nautical Miles
Observation Time:	0000	Direction from Accident Site:	0°
Lowest Cloud Condition:	Unknown / 0 ft agl	Visibility	15 Miles
Lowest Ceiling:	Unknown / 0 ft agl	Visibility (RVR):	0 ft
Wind Speed/Gusts:	8 knots /	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:	145°	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:		Temperature/Dew Point:	21 °C
Precipitation and Obscuration:			
Departure Point:	ROCHESTER, IN (RCR)	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	None
Destination:	MISHAWAKA, IN (3CI)	Type of Clearance:	VFR
Departure Time:	1000 CDT	Type of Airspace:	

## 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:	

## Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	JAMES P SILLIMAN
Additional Participating Persons:	BILL RENKEN; SOUTH BEND, IN
Investigation Docket:	NTSB accident and incident dockets serve as permanent archival information for the NTSB's investigations. Dockets released prior to June 1, 2009 are publicly available from the NTSB's Record Management Division at <a href="mailto:pubinq@ntsb.gov">pubinq@ntsb.gov</a> , or at 800-877-6799. Dockets released after this date are available at <a href="http://dms.nts.gov/pubdms/">http://dms.nts.gov/pubdms/</a> .