



National Transportation Safety Board Aviation Accident Factual Report

Location:	CORDELE, GA	Accident Number:	ATL91FA047
Date & Time:	02/02/1991, 1914 EST	Registration:	N9209P
Aircraft:	PIPER PA-24-260	Aircraft Damage:	Destroyed
Defining Event:		Injuries:	3 Fatal
Flight Conducted Under:	Part 91: General Aviation - Personal		

Pilot Information

Certificate:	Private	Age:	60, Male
Airplane Rating(s):	Single-engine Land; Single-engine Sea	Seat Occupied:	Left
Other Aircraft Rating(s):	None	Restraint Used:	Seatbelt
Instrument Rating(s):	Airplane	Second Pilot Present:	
Instructor Rating(s):		Toxicology Performed:	Yes
Medical Certification:	Class 3 Valid Medical--w/ waivers/lim.	Last FAA Medical Exam:	03/02/1989
Occupational Pilot:		Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	
Flight Time:	775 hours (Total, all aircraft)		

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	PIPER	Registration:	N9209P
Model/Series:	PA-24-260 PA-24-260	Aircraft Category:	Airplane
Year of Manufacture:		Amateur Built:	No
Airworthiness Certificate:		Serial Number:	24-4704
Landing Gear Type:	Retractable - Tricycle	Seats:	4
Date/Type of Last Inspection:	01/02/2000, Unknown	Certified Max Gross Wt.:	3100 lbs
Time Since Last Inspection:		Engines:	1 Reciprocating
Airframe Total Time:		Engine Manufacturer:	LYCOMING
ELT:	Installed	Engine Model/Series:	IO-540-D4A5
Registered Owner:	CARTER, RICHARD C.	Rated Power:	260 hp
Operator:	CARTER, RICHARD C.	Operating Certificate(s) Held:	None

Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	Visual Conditions	Condition of Light:	Night/Dark
Observation Facility, Elevation:	ABY, 197 ft msl	Distance from Accident Site:	34 Nautical Miles
Observation Time:	1948 EST	Direction from Accident Site:	220°
Lowest Cloud Condition:	Clear / 0 ft agl	Visibility	15 Miles
Lowest Ceiling:	None / 0 ft agl	Visibility (RVR):	0 ft
Wind Speed/Gusts:	6 knots / 1 knots	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:	10°	Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:	30 inches Hg	Temperature/Dew Point:	16° C / 11° C
Precipitation and Obscuration:			
Departure Point:	LOCUST GROVE, GA (GA04)	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	None
Destination:		Type of Clearance:	None
Departure Time:	1830 EST	Type of Airspace:	

Airport Information

Airport:	CRISP-COUNTY CORDELE (02J)	Runway Surface Type:	Asphalt
Airport Elevation:	308 ft	Runway Surface Condition:	Dry
Runway Used:	0	IFR Approach:	None
Runway Length/Width:		VFR Approach/Landing:	Traffic Pattern

Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	1 Fatal	Aircraft Damage:	Destroyed
Passenger Injuries:	2 Fatal	Aircraft Fire:	On-Ground
Ground Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Explosion:	On-Ground
Total Injuries:	3 Fatal	Latitude, Longitude:	

Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	Ralph E Hicks, Jr.
Additional Participating Persons:	PRESTON E HICKS; ATLANTA, GA GEORGE C JONES; COLLEGE PARK, GA JOHN J TREY; VANDALIA, OH ROBERT BOOB; VERO BEACH, FL
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