



National Transportation Safety Board Aviation Accident Factual Report

Location:	JAMESTOWN, TN	Accident Number:	ATL87MA035
Date & Time:	12/03/1986, 0352 CST	Registration:	N3898U
Aircraft:	BELL 206L-1	Aircraft Damage:	Destroyed
Defining Event:		Injuries:	4 Fatal
Flight Conducted Under:	Part 135: Air Taxi & Commuter - Non-scheduled - Air Medical (Unspecified)		

Pilot Information

Certificate:	Airline Transport; Private	Age:	40, Male
Airplane Rating(s):	Single-engine Land	Seat Occupied:	Right
Other Aircraft Rating(s):	Helicopter	Restraint Used:	Seatbelt
Instrument Rating(s):	Airplane; Helicopter	Second Pilot Present:	No
Instructor Rating(s):	None	Toxicology Performed:	Yes
Medical Certification:	Class 1 Valid Medical--no waivers/lim.	Last FAA Medical Exam:	08/14/1986
Occupational Pilot:		Last Flight Review or Equivalent:	
Flight Time:	4570 hours (Total, all aircraft), 4192 hours (Pilot In Command, all aircraft), 29 hours (Last 90 days, all aircraft), 1 hours (Last 24 hours, all aircraft)		

Aircraft and Owner/Operator Information

Aircraft Make:	BELL	Registration:	N3898U
Model/Series:	206L-1 206L-1	Aircraft Category:	Helicopter
Year of Manufacture:		Amateur Built:	No
Airworthiness Certificate:	Normal	Serial Number:	45575
Landing Gear Type:	Skid	Seats:	5
Date/Type of Last Inspection:	12/01/1986, Continuous Airworthiness	Certified Max Gross Wt.:	4050 lbs
Time Since Last Inspection:	1 Hours	Engines:	1 Turbo Shaft
Airframe Total Time:	1750 Hours	Engine Manufacturer:	ALLISON
ELT:	Installed, not activated	Engine Model/Series:	250-C28B
Registered Owner:	JAMES W. WELLHAM	Rated Power:	500 hp
Operator:	CUSTOMAIRE, INC.	Operating Certificate(s) Held:	On-demand Air Taxi (135)
Operator Does Business As:	CUMBERLAND LEAS&INST CO [EMS]	Operator Designator Code:	FJIA

Meteorological Information and Flight Plan

Conditions at Accident Site:	Instrument Conditions	Condition of Light:	Night/Dark
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	4 Miles
Lowest Ceiling:	Unknown / 0 ft agl	Visibility (RVR):	0 ft
Wind Speed/Gusts:	/	Turbulence Type Forecast/Actual:	/
Wind Direction:		Turbulence Severity Forecast/Actual:	/
Altimeter Setting:	29 inches Hg	Temperature/Dew Point:	-18° C / -18° C
Precipitation and Obscuration:			
Departure Point:	JAMESTOWN, TN	Type of Flight Plan Filed:	None
Destination:	NASHVILLE, TN	Type of Clearance:	None
Departure Time:	0350 CST	Type of Airspace:	Class G

Airport Information

Airport:	JAMESTOWN MUNI (2A1)	Runway Surface Type:	
Airport Elevation:	0 ft	Runway Surface Condition:	
Runway Used:	0	IFR Approach:	None
Runway Length/Width:		VFR Approach/Landing:	None

Wreckage and Impact Information

Crew Injuries:	3 Fatal	Aircraft Damage:	Destroyed
Passenger Injuries:	1 Fatal	Aircraft Fire:	None
Ground Injuries:	N/A	Aircraft Explosion:	None
Total Injuries:	4 Fatal	Latitude, Longitude:	

Administrative Information

Investigator In Charge (IIC):	WALTER G STINER
Additional Participating Persons:	LARRY WILLIAMS; NASHVILLE, TN ROGER M BAKER; WASHINGTON, DC W. G GERHART; INDIANAPOLIS, IN C. C HERRON; FORT WORTH, TX
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