

REPORTING OFFICER NARRATIVE*Laporte Police Department*

Victim BOYD, GARY STEWART		Offense PLANE CRASH	OCA 18-02666
			Date / Time Reported Sun 07/15/2018 09:00

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Incident #: 18-02666

Date: Sunday July 15, 2018

Written By: Officer J. Henson [REDACTED]

Offense: Plane Crash - Information

Introduction: On Sunday July 15, 2018 I was dispatched across from 11321 N H st on the pipeline regarding a plane crash. Subsequent to investigation a report was generated and forwarded to CID.

Scene Summary: 11300 Blk of N H st is located within the city of La Porte, Harris County, Texas. The crash happened along the pipeline located on the south side of the roadway.

Weather at time of crash: Daylight, Partly Cloudy, Winds at 5 MPH out of the SW (via dispatch)

Details: Upon arrival I observed a small fixed wing aircraft, later identified by tail number N3135J, heavily damaged with the tail of the aircraft pointing upward. I observed three subjects standing near the downed aircraft upon my arrival. One of the subjects standing near the aircraft is the reportee, identified as Jill Mancha, who stated that she resides at [REDACTED] and did not observe the crash occur and that she only heard it prior to calling 911.

One of the male subjects standing near the aircraft, identified as Jack Daly, stated that he was at his friends residence located at [REDACTED] when he observed the crash occur. Daly stated that he was outside the residence and observed the aircraft take off from the La Porte Municipal Airport. Daly stated that shortly after seeing the aircraft take off, he heard the aircraft appear to throttle down as it appeared to turn back toward the airport. Daly stated that the aircraft appeared to throttle back up prior to impacting the ground. Daly stated that after observing the crash, he and his friend Larry Jaynes ran toward the crash in an attempt to help.

I made contact with the third subject near the crash, identified as Larry Jaynes, who stated that he was outside with Daly at the time of the crash, however, he did not see the crash occur and that he only heard the engine throttle down then back up prior to the crash.

Officer Hernandez [REDACTED] spoke to another witness located at [REDACTED] identified as Robert Darnell. Darnell stated to Ofc Hernandez the he was outside of his residence when he observed the aircraft flying low heading toward the airport. Darnell stated to Ofc Hernandez that shortly after observing the aircraft flying low over his residence he observed the aircraft crash in to the field.

During initial Investigation I observed the fixed wing aircraft with its tail pointed upwards. I observed a large debris field around the aircraft, along with an impact crater a few feet from the plane. I observed two subjects that were declared deceased by LPEMS on scene. The subjects were observed to have massive trauma and appeared to be sitting in what remained of the cockpit. The scene was then secured, and Sgt Upchurch made location to make the necessary notifications.

DPS was notified and Tropper Shaw made location to conduct an investigation. The FAA was contacted and

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made location as well. I then contacted the HCME office and investigator B. Bless made location to take possession of the deceased. While extracting the deceased from the aircraft, the HCME located identification on only one individual. The one deceased individual was identified by TXDL as [REDACTED] which was located in a wallet on the victims person. The second individual is believed to be [REDACTED] however no ID could be located during initial investigation to positively confirm his identity. The HCME office took possession of both deceased and their possessions. The ME's office will be working to identify the second individual and will make the necessary notifications to next of kin.

While the deceased were being extracted it was unknown if the unidentified victim was wearing a safety harness. While extracting [REDACTED], he appeared to have a body harness on connected to what was left of the seat. After the deceased were removed from the scene, the scene was turned over to DPS to secure until the NTSB investigator could arrive the following morning.

[REDACTED] o case number generated by DPS.

Disposition: Forward to CID