



The National Transportation Safety Board

Office of Aviation Safety
Central Region
Memorandum for the Record
Pilot Telephone Conversation
and Statement
CEN20CA249
Lahoma Oklahoma
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The pilot reported the following information to the NTSB IIC:

- The pilot recently purchased the airplane and flew the airplane twice since the purchase.
- The pilot reported about 3,500 hours total time in single-engine airplanes.
- Total flight time in his newly acquired airplane was 2 flights. The accident flight was his second flight in the airplane.
- The purpose of the personal flight was to fly from Oklahoma City (OKC) to Lahoma Oklahoma.
- After about 1-hour of normal flight, the engine lost power. The pilot switched fuel tanks from the right to left and restarted the engine. After about 5-minutes, the engine lost power again.
- The pilot was about 8-miles away from the nearest airport and decided to land the airplane in a field.
- Upon touchdown in the field, the airplane hit a berm, resulting in landing gear collapse and structural damage to the aft part of the fuselage.
- After the accident, the pilot reported that he was not familiar with the recently purchased airplane's fuel system, and that he ran out of fuel. He also stated that he thought that he was running on the right fuel tank after takeoff from OKC
- He stated that his normal procedure was to top off the fuel tanks before each flight, but did not do so before the accident flight.

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