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POLK COUNTY PD INCIDENT REPORT

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Case # 1206620

EVENT	INCIDENT TYPE	COUNTS		INCIDENT CODE	PREMISE TYPE
	PLANE CRASH	1			1 HIGHWAY
VICTIM	INCIDENT LOCATION	LOCATION NAME		LOC CODE	WEAPON TYPE
	TREAT MOUNTAIN ROAD, CEDARTOWN, GA 30125				4 OTHER
VICTIM	INCIDENT DATE	INCIDENT TIME	DATE	TIME	STRANGER TO STRANGER
	07/20/2012	08:00	07/20/2012	08:46	YES ☐ NO ☐ UNK ☐
VICTIM	COMPLAINANT	ADDRESS			PHONE NUMBER
	MOBBS, TRACEY				
VICTIM	VICTIMS NAME	RACE	SEX	AGE	DOB
	MURPHY, RONALD JAMES	W	M	87	
VICTIM	ADDRESS	CENSUS TRACT	EMPLOYER OR OCCUPATION		
VICTIM	STUDENT?	IF YES, NAME VICTIM'S SCHOOL			
	YES ☐ NO ☒				
OFFENDER	NAME	RACE	SEX	DATE OF BIRTH	AGE
OFFENDER	WANTED	ADDRESS	CENSUS TRACT	HEIGHT	WEIGHT
OFFENDER	WARRANT	CHARGES	COUNTS	OFFENSE CODE	OFFENSE / ARREST
OFFENDER	ARREST	JURISDICTION			
		CI = CITY CO = COUNTY ST = STATE OU = OUT OF STATE UN = UNKNOWN			
VEHICLE	TOTAL NUMBER ARRESTED	ARREST AT OR NEAR OFFENSE SCENE		DATE OF OFFENSE	
	0	YES ☐ NO ☐ UNK ☐			
VEHICLE	TAG NUMBER	STATE	YEAR	V.I.N.	PLATE ONLY
VEHICLE	RECOVD	YEAR	MAKE	MODEL	STYLE
VEHICLE	SUSPECTS	MOTOR SIZE (CID)	AUTO	MAN	SPD
WITNESS	IMPOUND	TRANS.	INSURED BY		
WITNESS	NAMES	ADDRESS		PHONE NUMBER	
PROPERTY	VEHICLES	CURRENCY, NOTES, ETC.	JEWELRY, PREC. METALS	FURS	PROPERTY RECOVERY INFO ONLY
	STOLEN				THEFT/RECOVERY
PROPERTY	RECOVERED				DATE OF THEFT
PROPERTY	CLOTHING	OFFICE EQUIP.	TV, RADIO, ETC.	HOUSEHOLD GOODS	JURIS CODES
	STOLEN				1 = CITY
PROPERTY	RECOVERED				2 = COUNTY
					3 = STATE
PROPERTY	FIREARMS	CONSUMABLE GOODS	LIVESTOCK	OTHER	4 = OUT OF STATE
	STOLEN				5 = UNKNOWN
PROPERTY	RECOVERED				
ADM	GCIC ENTRY	WARRANT	MISSING PERSONS	VEHICLE	ARTICLE
ADM	VICTIM WILL PROSECUTE	UNIF. FOLLOW UP	PHOTO TAKEN?	VIDEO/AUDIO	CID NOTIFIED?
CLEAR	REQUIRED DATA FIELDS FOR CLEARANCE REPORT	CLEARED BY ARREST	EXCEPTIONALLY CLEARED	UNFOUNDED	REPORT DATE
					07/25/2012
CLEAR	DATE OF CLEARANCE	ADULT	JUVENILE	CASE	ACTIVE
DRUG	DID INVESTIGATION INDICATE THAT THIS INCIDENT WAS DRUG RELATED?				
	YES ☐ NO ☐				
DRUG	IF YES, INDICATE THE TYPE OF DRUG(S) USED BY OFFENDER				
	1-AMPHETAMINE	2-BARBITURATE	3-COCAINE	4-HALLUCINOGEN	5-HEROIN
DRUG	6-MARIJUANA	7-METHAMPHETAMINE	8-OPIMUM	9-SYNTHETIC NARCOTIC	U-UNKNOWN

On July 20th, 2012 at approximately 0851 hrs, Polk County PD officers were advised of a plane crash on Treat Mountain Road. It was first dispatched that it was in Haralson County but a few minutes later it was confirmed that the crash site was in Polk County. I, along with all other available units went to the scene. The case is being investigated by the FAA and NTSB.

Officer Name / Badge: WELDON, JOE / [REDACTED]**Date / Time: 07/25/2012 11:41**

I Detective Joe Weldon arrived on the scene at approximately 905 am. When I arrived there were numerous emergency personal from Haralson County Fire Department, Haralson County Sheriffs Department, Georgia State Patrol, and Haralson County EMS. Upon arrival I noticed that the plane was still in the roadway and was still on fire. I could see [REDACTED] it was obvious that the person was deceased and burnt beyond recognition. The plane appeared to be a white single engine plane with red and blue stripping. The tail number on the plane was N2511A

After the fire was put out I began to take photographs of the scene and I asked Patrol Corporal Angie Shurley to get the names of all personal inside the crime scene. I had traffic blocked to the east of the scene at the intersection of Treat Mountain Road and Fire Tower Road and to the West of the scene at Treat Mountain Road and the Y.

At approximately 9:13 am I spoke with Ken Zigfeld with the FAA via telephone and he connected me with Corky Smith of the NTSB and Steven Johnson of the FAA, I advised them of the situation and they advised that they would be en route to the crash site.

An inner perimeter was set up around the crash site and due to inclement weather a tarp was placed over the plane and the body of the deceased. After the tarp was placed, all personal was removed from the inner perimeter to await the arrival of the FAA and NTSB.

At approximately 12:04 pm FAA agent Steven Johnson arrived on the scene and after he was able to see the scene and take his notes, the body of the deceased (still unknown at this time) was removed from the scene by Deputy Corner Tony Brazier and transported to the morgue to await transport to the GBI crime lab. After the body of the deceased was removed, me, Deputy Corner Tony Brazier, and Detective Tracey Royston looked inside the plane to see if we could possibly find anything to identify the pilot. This was done under the supervision of the FAA agent Steven Johnson. There was no identification that could be located.

At approximately 12:30 pm NTSB agent Corky Smith arrived on the scene. Upon his arrival the entire scene was turned over to him and the FAA.

At the direction of the NTSB, the plane was removed from the scene by Atlanta Air Recovery & Storage.

At approximately 3:40 pm I received a phone call from Polk County Police Chief Kenny Dodd and he advised that one of the registered owners (Sharon Murphy) had contacted him saying that her husband (Ronald James Murphy) had left earlier this date from Hillard Airport near Jacksonville Florida and was en route to Wisconsin for an air show and she had not heard from him. The description she gave of the plane and the tail numbers matched that of the crashed plane. This information along with the contact information for Mrs.. Murphy was passed on to the coroner's office and NTSB agent Smith.

Cased Closed, Turned over to FAA and NTSB.