



Memorandum For Record

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Federal Aviation Administration inspector Ronald Bean e-mailed NTSB on December 21, 2022 at 1119 EST. He provided the following information:

"Tim,

I had worked a few accident that cycle and forget a lot of details on this specific accident.

After checking my notes and with the Repair Station, the carb, being on the bottom, had been broken off the engine and was just sitting under the aircraft with no fuel stains around the aircraft or on the aircraft cowling. The tanks, lines, strainer, and engine fuel lines were all void of fuel and or signs of fuel.

My ASI helper and I went over the approach area, crash area and final resting place and noticing nothing to indicate any fuel signs.

The smell the pilot had may have noticed was when the carb broke away from the motor upon hitting the ground."