

Interview Questions

1. How many people were on the aircraft? 2
2. Who were they?
 - a. PIC: John Brasil
 - b. Passenger: Abraham Talerman
3. Is the pilot certificated and current per FAR 61? Yes.
 - a. Flight Review completed by CFI David Bennitt CFI [REDACTED] on 31 May, 2022
 - b. Certificate number: [REDACTED]
 - c. Medical Class and Date: Second Class [REDACTED]
 - d. Pilot Total Time: 2600 hours
 - e. Pilot Time in last 90 days: 9.1 hours
 - f. Pilot Time in last 12 Months: 25 hours
 - g. Pilot Time in Make and Model CE-185F: 455 hours (total Tailwheel time: 465)
4. What was the proposed route of flight: MYF over Lake Murray then Sweetwater Reservoir then Direct to SDM
5. Was a flight plan filed VFR/IFR? VFR
 - a. Weather at time of departure: VFR
6. What flight planning was done? Yes with ForeFlight By whom? PIC
7. How much fuel was required for the planned flight? 5 gal
 - a. Weight and Balance information: PIC estimated weights below MTOW limits and within CG limits
8. Who performed the preflight inspection? PIC
9. How much fuel was on the aircraft? Estimated 16 gallons by using fuel gauges.
10. Was the fuel load visually confirmed? No
11. When was the last fuel purchased and where? Little River airport (KLLR) filled tanks on 04/06/2023
12. What mechanical discrepancies were known prior to flight? None
13. Are there any EFIS/DFR/ForeFlight recording devices on the aircraft? Engine/ForeFlight

14. Briefly describe the events leading up to the event.

Planned a short flight to refuel the aircraft with cheaper fuel in SEE. Takeoff from MYF was normal and climbed to 1,800 MSL initially flying easterly with no flight following. Approaching Lake Murry Visual check point, descended to 1,500 MSL to be below Class B floor to the south (1,800). Position was south of I-8 when the engine sputtered and stopped producing power. I immediately started looking for a landing area and started towards Lake Murry as the only open space in a heavily residential area. Decided not to go to the Lake Murry Park to avoid population and selected the Lake Murray Blvd as the next best option. With very little time to find another area I looked out and noticing high tension wires, I pulled up to avoid contacting them and could not remember anything else from the flight until coming to rest in the ravine. I noticed fuel streaming from the left fuel tank, so I turned off the master electric switch and ignition/mag switch to reduce the chance of fire. My passenger was struggling so I helped him get free of the seatbelt, when being above me, he fell on top of me. Fire Rescue brought him out from the aircraft, and I was able to walk up to the street level.

15. Was a Mayday declared? No

16. Describe emergency procedures attempted or performed. None that I remember

17. What was the main factors in your estimation: Engine quit for unknown reasons

18. What actions did you perform after the crash and why? Turned off electrical and ignition switches to reduce the chance of fire.