

## MU-2B-20 Airplane Crash Site near Cerrillos, NM

DATE June 10, 2001

AIRCRAFT Mitsubishi MU-2B-20, Registration No. N187AF

GENERAL LOCATION Cerrillos Hills near town of Cerrillos, NM

PEOPLE ABOARD Pilot and his wife

REFERENCES NTSB ID Report DEN01FA113, Probable Cause and Full Narrative

### HISTORY

This historical information was extracted and summarized from the reference

On the above date, the aircraft, registered to and operated by the pilot, was destroyed upon impact with terrain in an uncontrolled descent near Cerrillos, New Mexico. The private pilot and one passenger, his wife, were fatally injured in the crash. VFR conditions existed, but an IFR flight plan had been filed for the flight that had originated in Peoria, Illinois, at approximately 0945 central daylight time.

The pilot held a private pilot certificate with a multi-engine rating. At the time of the crash, he had received an estimated a total of four hours dual instruction in the aircraft. On several occasions, he was told not to make the trip by friends and his flight instructor. He decided to go anyway. There was no evidence in post mortem tests to indicate the presence of drugs or ethanol.



The passenger was his wife. They were said to be flying to Santa Fe to celebrate their wedding anniversary.

In August, 2010, two crash explorers were taken to the site by the area caretaker, where they found crash debris. A site location was provided in the crash report which was confirmed by on-site GPS coordinate readings.



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