

# Helicopter 66-16118

Information on U.S. Army helicopter tail number 66-16118

The Army purchased this helicopter 0367

Total flight hours at this point: 00000002

Date: 670623

Accident case number: 670623021

Unit: DIROF SUP TRAN

Number killed in accident: 0 Injured: 0 Passengers: 0  
costing 2936

Crew Members:

AC O2 RL JANES

Accident Summary:

☐ The fuel quick disconnect was improperly installed and came off in flight. The engine failed due to fuel starvation. On touch down, one main rotor blade contacted a tree

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Information on U.S. Army helicopter tail number 66-16118

The Army purchased this helicopter 0367

Total flight hours at this point: 00000891

Date: 690624

Accident case number: 690624161

Unit: 173d Avn Co

Di An Province,

Number killed in accident: 0 Injured: 0 Passengers: 0  
costing 542

Crew Members:

AC W1 A MOLLER

P W1 KH BITTING

CE E4 GE DURAN

G E4 JL JOACHIM

Accident Summary:

☐ ACFT ON SHORT FINAL & UPON TERM T/R STRUCK GRND CAUSNG INC DAM \

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Information on U.S. Army helicopter tail number 66-16118

The Army purchased this helicopter 0367

Total flight hours at this point: 00002051

Date: 701108

Incident number: 701108021ACD Accident case number: 701108021 Total loss or fatality Accident

Unit: 335th Avn Co  
My Tho Province,  
Number killed in accident: 1 Injured: 7 Passengers: 7  
costing 101436

Crew Members:  
AC O2 RF MULLER  
P W1 JM NEWCOMBE  
CE E4 RL SHRINER  
G E5 JE MARADEN

Passengers:

☐ UNK CUONG NV, NOT, A; , PAX, D; , PAX, D; \*\*\*\*\* , PAX, D; , PAX, D; , PAX, D; , PAX, D;

Accident Summary:

☐ ON 8 NOVEMBER AT APPROXIMATELY 0930 HOURS 1LT ROBERT F. MULLER AND HIS CREW WERE FLYING THE TRAIL AIRCRAFT IN A FLIGHT OF FOUR. THE MISSION WAS TO TRANSPORT VIETNAMESE TROOPS FROM A PICKUP ZONE LOCATED AT COORDINATES WS9953 TO A PREDETERMINED LANDING ZONE. DUE TO THE CONFIGURATION OF PICKUP ZONE THE FLIGHT PATH SELECTED FOR THE FOUR AIRCRAFT WAS APPROXIMATELY 300 DEGREES TO 310 DEGREES INBOUND AND 120 DEGREES OUTBOUND. THE PICKUP ZONE WAS A WATER FILLED RICE PADDY WITH THE WATER APPROXIMATELY THREE TO FOUR FEET DEEP. THE AIRCRAFT WERE UNABLE TO SET DOWN AND HAD TO HOVER WITH THE SKIDS IN THE WATER TO ENABLE THE TROOPS TO CLIMB ABOARD. THE WIND WAS FROM THE EAST AT THREE TO FIVE KNOTS WHEN THE LEAD AIRCRAFT MADE HIS TAKE OFF. THE NUMBER TWO AIRCRAFT FOLLOWED AND WHEN THE FIRST TWO AIRCRAFT WERE CLEAR, THE NUMBER THREE AIRCRAFT AND LT MULLER'S AIRCRAFT (66-16118) CAME TO A HOVER. BOTH AIRCRAFT MADE A PEDAL TURN TO THEIR TAKE OFF HEADING. THE NUMBER THREE AIRCRAFT MADE HIS TAKE-OFF AND PASSED APPROXIMATELY ONE TO ONE AND ONE HALF ROTOR WIDTHS TO THE RIGHT OF THE TRAIL AIRCRAFT. LT MULLER, WHO HAD MAINTAINED HIS AIRCRAFT AT A HOVER WHILE NUMBER THREE DEPARTED, BEGAN HIS TAKE-OFF FROM A HOVER OF APPROXIMATELY TWO TO THREE FEET. AS HE STARTED TO GAIN AIRSPEED AND APPROACH TRANSLATIONAL LIFT, HE ALLOWED THE AIRCRAFT TO LOOSE A LITTLE ALTITUDE. JUST PRIOR TO, OR ABOUT THE SAME TIME AS, REACHING TRANSLATIONAL LIFT, AT AN ALTITUDE OF APPROXIMATELY ONE TO ONE AND ONE HALF FEET, AIRCRAFT 66-16118 ENCOUNTERED THE ROTOR WASH FROM THE NUMBER THREE AIRCRAFT. 118 SUDDENLY LOST ALTITUDE AND BOTH SKIDS STRUCK THE WATER CAUSING THE AIRCRAFT TO NOSE OVER UNTIL THE CHIN BUBBLES HIT THE WATER. THE AIRCRAFT FLIPPED FORWARD AND THE MAIN ROTOR STRUCK THE WATER. THE NOSE OF THE AIRCRAFT SMASHED INTO THE GROUND AND THE MAIN ROTOR AND TRANSMISSION SEPARATED FROM THE AIRFRAME. SIMULTANEOUSLY THE AIRCRAFT PIVOTED ON ITS NOSE, ROLLED TO THE LEFT AND CAME TO REST ON THE LEFT SIDE.\\

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The following is crew member information for this incident:

Name: UNK N. V. Cuong

Status: Killed In Action from an incident on 11/08/70 while performing the duty of Crew Chief.

Service: U.S. Army.

Service: U.S. Army.

The Wall location: -

Aircraft: UH-1H tail number 66-16118

Country: South Vietnam

This record was last updated on 03/05/94

The following is Goldbook information on US Army helicopter tail number 66-16118

It is provided here as an ESTIMATE of the history of this helicopter and is not intended to be the final authority.

This helicopter was purchased by the US Army in 0367.

Please provide any additional information on this helicopter to the VHPA.

DATE	FLT	HRS	UIC	UNIT	AREA	POST	COUNTRY
6703	2	2	WOMHAA	DIROF SUP TRAN	6TH ARMY	SHARPE GD	AVCOM
6704	0	2	WOMHAA	DIROF SUP TRAN	6TH ARMY	SHARPE GD	AVCOM
6705	0	2	WOMHAA	DIROF SUP TRAN	6TH ARMY	SHARPE GD	AVCOM
6706	0	2	WOMHAA	DIROF SUP TRAN	6TH ARMY	SHARPE GD	AVCOM
6707	0	2	3300	USARV FLT DET	VIETNAM		RVN
6708	0	2	3300	BELL HCPTR	BAILMENT	FT WORTH	AVCOM
6709	0	2	3300	BELL HCPTR	BAILMENT	FT WORTH	AVCOM
6710	0	2	3300	BELL HCPTR	BAILMENT	FT WORTH	AVCOM
6711	0	2	3300	355 AVN CO	4TH ARMY	FORT SILL	4TH ARMY
6712	6	8	WCKGAA	20 TRANS CO	VIETNAM		RVN
6801	14	22	WCKGAA	20 TRANS CO	VIETNAM		RVN
6802	28	50	WCKGAA	20 TRANS CO	VIETNAM		RVN
6803	37	87	WCKGAA	20 TRANS CO	VIETNAM		RVN
6804	0	87	WCKGAA	20 TRANS CO	VIETNAM		RVN
6805	2	89	WCKGAA	20 TRANS CO	VIETNAM		RVN
6806	42	131	WCKGAA	20 TRANS CO	VIETNAM		RVN
6807	32	163	WCKGAA	20 TRANS CO	VIETNAM		RVN
6808	123	286	WCKGAA	20 TRANS CO	VIETNAM		RVN
6809	36	322	WCKGAA	20 TRANS CO	VIETNAM		RVN
6810	12	334	WCKGAA	20 TRANS CO	VIETNAM		RVN
6811	37	371	WCLGAA	20 TRANS CO	VIETNAM		RVN
6812	3	374	WCLGAA	20 TRANS CO	VIETNAM		RVN
6901	87	461	WC41AA	173 ASLT HEL CO	VIETNAM		RVN
6902	86	547	WC41AA	173 ASLT HEL CO	VIETNAM		RVN
6903	0	547	WC41AA	173 ASLT HEL CO	VIETNAM		RVN
6904	132	679	WC41AA	173 ASLT HEL CO	VIETNAM		RVN
6905	131	810	WC41AA	173 ASLT HEL CO	VIETNAM		RVN
6906	81	891	WC41AA	173 ASLT HEL CO	VIETNAM		RVN
6907	109	1000	WC41AA	173 ASLT HEL CO	VIETNAM		RVN
6908	122	1122	WC41AA	173 ASLT HEL CO	VIETNAM		RVN
6909	130	1252	WC41AA	173 ASLT HEL CO	VIETNAM		RVN
6910	104	1356	WC41AA	173 ASLT HEL CO	VIETNAM		RVN
6911	91	1447	WC3HAA	128 ASLT HEL CO	VIETNAM		RVN
6912	0	1447	WC5DAA	605 TRANS CO DS	VIETNAM		RVN
7001	0	1447	WC5DAA	605 TRANS CO DS	VIETNAM		RVN
7002	0	1447	WC5DAA	605 TRANS CO DS	VIETNAM		RVN
7003	2	1449	WC5DAA	605 TRANS CO DS	VIETNAM		RVN

7004	65	1514	WGPRAA	336	ASLT	HEL	CO	VIETNAM		RVN
7005	124	1638	WGPRAA	336	ASLT	HEL	CO	VIETNAM		RVN
7006	1	1639	WGPRAA	336	ASLT	HEL	CO	VIETNAM		RVN
7007	109	1748	WGPRAA	336	ASLT	HEL	CO	VIETNAM		RVN
7008	108	1856	WGPRAA	336	ASLT	HEL	CO	VIETNAM		RVN
7009	136	1992	WGPRAA	336	ASLT	HEL	CO	VIETNAM		RVN
7010	49	2041	WGPQAA	335	ASLT	HEL	CO	VIETNAM		RVN
7011	10	2051	WCLSAA	388	TRANS	CO		VIETNAM		RVN
7012	0	2051	WHB1AA	166	TRANS	CO		VIETNAM		RVN
7101	0	2051						NAT&GUARD		NAT GDZI
7102	0	2051						NAT&GUARD		NAT GDZI
7103	0	2051	W2WJAA	BEL	HEL			BAILMENT	FT WORTH	AVSCOM
7104	0	2051	W2WJAA	BEL	HEL			BAILMENT	FT WORTH	AVSCOM
7105	0	2051	W2WJAA	BEL	HEL			BAILMENT	FT WORTH	AVSCOM
7106	4	2055	W2WJAA	BEL	HEL			BAILMENT	FT WORTH	AVSCOM
7107	5	2060	W2WJAA	BEL	HEL			BAILMENT	FT WORTH	AVSCOM
7108	37	2097	W2WJAA	BEL	HEL			BAILMENT	FT WORTH	AVSCOM
7109	45	2142	W2WJAA	BEL	HEL			BAILMENT	FT WORTH	AVSCOM
7110	3	2145	W2WJAA	BEL	HEL			BAILMENT	FT WORTH	AVSCOM
7111	26	2171	W2WJAA	BEL	HEL			BAILMENT	FT WORTH	AVSCOM
7112	15	2186	W2WJAA	BEL	HEL			BAILMENT	FT WORTH	AVSCOM
7201	18	2204	WAGEAA	HHC	1ST	CAV	DIV	5TH ARMY	FORT HOOD	5TH ARMY
7202	42	2246	WAGEAA	HHC	1ST	CAV	DIV	5TH ARMY	FORT HOOD	5TH ARMY
7203	68	2314	WAGEAA	HHC	1ST	CAV	DIV	5TH ARMY	FORT HOOD	5TH ARMY
7204	26	2340	WAGEAA	HHC	1ST	CAV	DIV	5TH ARMY	FORT HOOD	5TH ARMY
7205	35	2375	WAGEAA	HHC	1ST	CAV	DIV	5TH ARMY	FORT HOOD	5TH ARMY
7206	30	2405	WAGEAA	HHC	1ST	CAV	DIV	5TH ARMY	FORT HOOD	5TH ARMY
7207	32	2437	WAGEAA	HHC	1ST	CAV	DIV	5TH ARMY	FORT HOOD	5TH ARMY
7208	37	2474	WAGEAA	HHC	1ST	CAV	DIV	5TH ARMY	FORT HOOD	5TH ARMY
7209	31	2505	WAGEAA	HHC	1ST	CAV	DIV	5TH ARMY	FORT HOOD	5TH ARMY
7210	0	2505	WAGEAA	HHC	1ST	CAV	DIV	5TH ARMY	FORT HOOD	5TH ARMY
7211	16	2521	WAGEAA	HHC	1ST	CAV	DIV	5TH ARMY	FORT HOOD	5TH ARMY
7212	36	2557	WAGEAA	HHC	1ST	CAV	DIV	5TH ARMY	FORT HOOD	5TH ARMY
7301	22	2579	WAGEAA	HHC	1ST	CAV	DIV	5TH ARMY	FORT HOOD	5TH ARMY
7302	21	2600	WAGEAA	HHC	1ST	CAV	DIV	5TH ARMY	FORT HOOD	5TH ARMY
7303	0	2600	WAGEAA	HHC	1ST	CAV	DIV	5TH ARMY	FORT HOOD	5TH ARMY
7304	4	2604	WAGEAA	HHC	1ST	CAV	DIV	5TH ARMY	FORT HOOD	5TH ARMY
7305	31	2635	WAGEAA	HHC	1ST	CAV	DIV	5TH ARMY	FORT HOOD	5TH ARMY
7306	32	2667	WAGEAA	HHC	1ST	CAV	DIV	5TH ARMY	FORT HOOD	5TH ARMY
7307	21	2688	WAGEAA	1ST	CAV	DIV		5TH ARMY	FORT HOOD	FORSCOM
7308	0	2688	WAGEAA	1ST	CAV	DIV		5TH ARMY	FORT HOOD	FORSCOM
7309	53	2741	WAGEAA	1ST	CAV	DIV		5TH ARMY	FORT HOOD	FORSCOM
7310	17	2758	WAGEAA	1ST	CAV	DIV		5TH ARMY	FORT HOOD	FORSCOM
7311	9	2767	WAGEAA	1ST	CAV	DIV		5TH ARMY	FORT HOOD	FORSCOM
7312	11	2778	WAGEAA	1ST	CAV	DIV		5TH ARMY	FORT HOOD	FORSCOM
7401	2	2780	WAGEAA	1ST	CAV	DIV		5TH ARMY	FORT HOOD	FORSCOM
7402	0	2780	WAGEAA	1ST	CAV	DIV		5TH ARMY	FORT HOOD	FORSCOM
7403	1	2781	WAGEAA	1ST	CAV	DIV		5TH ARMY	FORT HOOD	FORSCOM
7404	1	2782	WAGEAA	1ST	CAV	DIV		5TH ARMY	FORT HOOD	FORSCOM
7405	6	2788	WAGEAA	1ST	CAV	DIV		5TH ARMY	FORT HOOD	FORSCOM
7409	0	2788	WOMUAA	US	ARMY	DEPOT		5TH ARMY	CORPUS CHRISTI	AMC
7410	0	2788	WOMUAA	US	ARMY	DEPOT		IN MAINT	CORPUS CHRISTI	AVSCOM
7411	0	2788	WOMUAA	US	ARMY	DEPOT		IN MAINT	CORPUS CHRISTI	AVSCOM
7412	0	2788	WOMUAA	US	ARMY	DEPOT		IN MAINT	CORPUS CHRISTI	AVSCOM
7501	0	2788	WOMUAA	US	ARMY	DEPOT		AWTG DISP	CORPUS CHRISTI	AVSCOM
7502	0	2788	WOMUAA	DIR	OF	SUPPLY		IN TRANSIT	CORPUS CH AD	AVSCOM
7503	0	2788	WOMUAA	DIR	OF	SUPPLY		IN MAINT	CORPUS CH AD	AVSCOM
7504	0	2788	WOMUAA	DIR	OF	SUPPLY		IN MAINT	CORPUS CH AD	AVSCOM
7505	4	2792	WOMUAA	DIR	OF	SUPPLY		IN MAINT	CORPUS CH AD	AVSCOM
7506	21	2813	WPGGAA					NAT GUARD		NAT GDZI
7507	27	2840	WPGGAA					NAT GUARD		NAT GDZI
7509	18	2878	WPGGA0					NAT GUARD		NAT GDZI
7510	9	2887	WPGGA0					NAT GUARD		NAT GDZI

7511	0	2887	WPGGA0	NAT GUARD	NAT GDZI
7512	1	2888	WPGGA0	NAT GUARD	NAT GDZI

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