

Victims of Crash All OU Students

The six young men killed in a pre-dawn plane crash at Goldsby, in McClain County, Saturday morning were identified Saturday as University of Oklahoma students, three of them fraternity brothers.

They were returning from a pleasure trip to Dallas when the six-place aircraft in which they were flying plunged nose-first into a field adjoining the Goldsby airport.

The six victims of the tragedy, four of whom lived in the city area are:

Stephen Howard England, 20, son of Mrs. Robert Wheeler, 2804 Fairfield.

Russell Gregory "Greg" Hendrix, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. William B. Hendrix, Muskogee. Colin Richard Loving, 20, son of Mrs. Rosemary Helen Loving, Ponca City.

Bernard F. Miller, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Darrel B. Miller, Bethany.

Danny Joe Booth, 20, son of Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Booth, 12508 Springwood.

Mark Thomas Quimby, 21, son of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Quimby, 4205 NW 58.

Hendrix, England and Loving were all members of the Phi Delta Theta fraternity at OU and lived in the fraternity house.

England was the only living son of Mrs. Robert Wheeler. An older brother, Marvin Barry England, died two years ago in an automobile accident.

England was a junior business major at OU. He was a graduate of Putnam City High School, where he played football.

Loving was head cheerleader at OU. He was scheduled to be back at school early Saturday morning to judge a high school cheerleading clinic. Phi Delta Theta housemother, Mrs. Ruth Perkins, said that may have been the reason the group was returning from Dallas at such an early hour. Loving was an art major.

Greg Hendrix, in his second year at OU, was a transfer student from Northeastern State College at Tahlequah, where he

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Danny Booth



Mark Quimby



Colin Loving



Greg Hendrix



Steve England

Colin Loving Crash



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played baseball. He was also a business major.

"These were three of the finest boys I've ever known," Mrs. Perkins said Saturday.

Another of the dead youths, Mark Quimby, was a member of the Delta Tau Delta fraternity but had moved from the fraternity house last year.

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The plane departed Oklahoma City at 5:30 p.m. Friday and was due to return Saturday morning. The crash wreckage was not discovered until after 7 a.m. Saturday. However, three wrist watches found on the victims had stopped at 2:25 a.m., apparently when the

crash occurred, authorities said.

Mrs. Kenneth Booth said Saturday night that she had received no official confirmation on the death of her son, Danny Joe, and his five companions.

"Why do they do that? He died at 2:30 this morning and nobody has called to tell us yet. We heard it on the radio," she said.

She said she had received no word whatsoever from the Highway Patrol, the McClain County sheriff's office, or the Federal Aviation Administration.

After hearing the radio broadcast, she said she read about the accident in the newspaper and still had not received any official word.

"He died at 2:30 this morning and we didn't hear about it for 14 hours. It's just down at Norman. You'd think they would

have called us," she said.

"We went about our normal day and he'd been dead for 14 hours. It just made it worse. Why do they do that?" he asked.

Booth, who was flying the plane at the time of the crash, had been formerly employed as a flight instructor at Catlin Aviation, the firm that owned the fatal craft. His mother said he had been flying about a year.

He was also a junior at OU, transferring there after completing his first two years at Central State University. He was a graduate of Putnam City High School.

Little was known about Miller. His parents also said they learned of their son's death through the news media instead of by official notification from any law enforcement agency.



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