

Status:  
Date: **Saturday 24 December 1966**  
Time: 19:15



Type: [Canadair CL-44D4-1](#)  
Operating for: [Flying Tiger Line](#)  
Leased from: [Seaboard World Airlines](#)  
Registration: N228SW  
C/n / msn: 31  
First flight: 1962-04-16 (4 years 8 months)  
Engines: 4 [Rolls-Royce Tyne 515](#)  
Crew: Fatalities: 4 / Occupants: 4  
Passengers: Fatalities: 0 / Occupants: 0  
Total: Fatalities: 4 / Occupants: 4  
Ground casualties: Fatalities: 107  
Aircraft damage: Destroyed  
Aircraft fate: Written off (damaged beyond repair)  
Location: ca 1 km S of Da Nang Airport (DAD) (🇻🇳 [Vietnam](#))  
Phase: Approach (APR)  
Nature: Cargo  
Departure airport: [Tachikawa Air Base \(RJTC\)](#), Japan  
Destination airport: [Da Nang Airport \(DAD/VVDN\)](#), Vietnam

## Canadair CL-44

- 39 built
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> loss
  - The first fatal accident
  - The worst accident
- » [safety profile](#)

## 🇻🇳 Vietnam

- The worst accident (at the time)
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> worst accident (currently)
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### Narrative:

Crashed short of the runway while making a radar assisted approach in fog at night. The plane cut a 300yd swath through 66 thatched roof huts in Binh Thai.

### Map

This map shows the airport of departure and the intended destination of the flight. The line between the airports does not display the exact flight path.

Distance from Tachikawa Air Base to Da Nang Airport as the crow flies is 3758 km (2349 miles).

Accident location: Approximate; accuracy within a few kilometers.

