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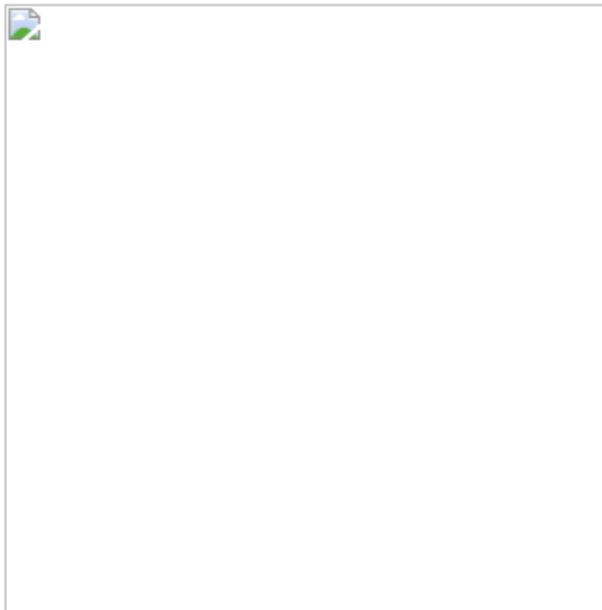
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Two dead and two missing as 'plane carrying popular father who built mansions for stars such as Martha Stewart' crashes off the coast of the Hamptons

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- **Two people have been confirmed dead after a small plane crashed on Saturday off the coast of the Hamptons into the Atlantic Ocean**
- **The plane belonged to Ben and Bonnie Krupinski of East Hampton, who were on board when the the Piper PA31Navajo aircraft went down**
- **Ben Krupinski has built homes in the area for Martha Stewart, Billy Joel and more**
- **It is not yet know if there are any survivors from the four people who were known to be on board the aircraft, as two remain missing at this time**
- **The crash occurred just before 3.00pm Eastern on Saturday, at around 2.50pm**
- **A search and rescue mission is underway, according to police on the scene**
- **Beaches from East Hampton Main Beach to Indian Wells Beach have been closed**

Two people are dead and two are missing after a plane carrying a mega-mansion builder and his wife along with two others crashed off the coast of the Hamptons.

Ben Krupinski, who has built and renovated homes for the likes of Martha Stewart and Billy Joel, and his wife Bonnie were on the private aircraft when it went down off Indian Wells Beach in Amagansett on Saturday afternoon.

The married couple, who are popular among residents of the affluent New York summer destination, were in a Piper PA31 Navajo aircraft when it crashed, according to [27 East](#), a local Hamptons news source.

The aircraft was about one mile away from the airport when it lost contact with the East Hampton Tower, the East Hampton Police Department said.

The Coast Guard found two bodies on board and are desperately searching for two more that are missing in the surrounding water.

Mr Krupinski's work with celebrity chef and lifestyle expert Stewart have raised eyebrows in the past.

His daughter Laura accused them of having an affair when she saw them getting close on a vacation in Florida.

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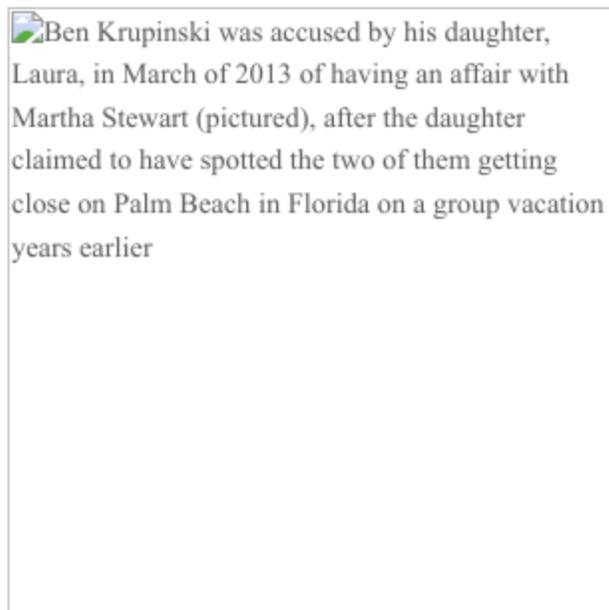
The builder's daughter kept it to herself for a few years, she said, before revealing her suspicions to her mother, Bonnie, in March of 2013.

But sharing her secret cost her, she said, because her father cut her \$26,000 monthly allowance, her mother refused to speak to her, and the two of them kicked her out of her Bedform home after making the claim.

Faithful or not, Mr Krupinski made a quite nice life for his family constructing the residences of the rich and famous in the Hamptons.

A [New York Times](#) article from 1992 called the area 'Krupinskiland,' and described it as containing 'sprawling houses with attitude that look as if they are sprawled out on lounge chairs with a masseuse and a pina colada.'

It's not yet known which of the passengers' bodies has been found.

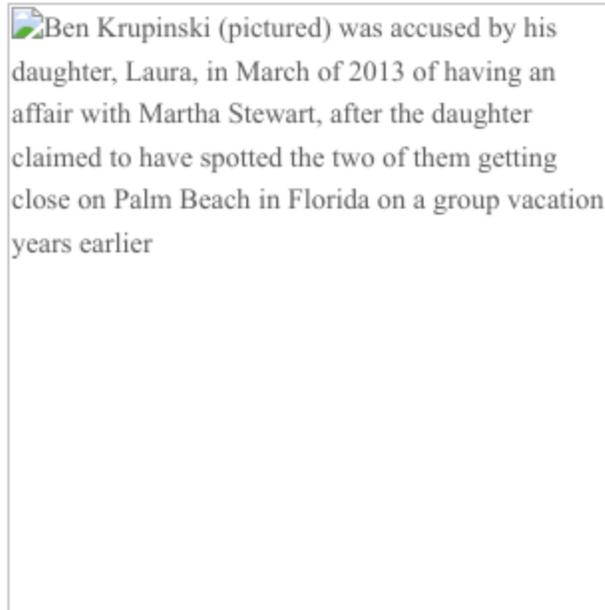


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The first victim who was confirmed dead was found by East Hampton Lifeguards on the beach, Ryan O'Hare of Coast Guard Station Montauk said.

Coast Guard Cutter Bonito recovered a second body from the water near the crash site, as officials continue to search for the other two passengers.

'We are stricken by this loss,' Captain Kevin Reed, a commander at Sector Long Island Sound, said in a press release. 'Our deepest sympathies go out to the families and loved ones of the two recovered individuals.'

The crash occurred at around 2.50pm Eastern on Saturday.

Crews aboard two commercial fishing boats in the area were asked to join in the search by authorities, according to [Newsday](#).

The cause of the crash has yet to be determined, but O'Hare noted that the plane went down around the same time that thunderstorms entered the area.

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The National Transportation Safety Board (NTSB) will investigate, along with local authorities, and the NTSB will determine the cause of the crash.

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Units responding to the call put in to Coast Guard Sector Long Island Sound included the United States Coast Guard, the Air National Guard, East Hampton Town police dive team, and the East Hampton Ocean Rescue Squad.

Beaches from East Hampton Main Beach to Indian Wells Beach in Amagansett have been closed to the public while the rescue effort continues.

Anyone with information regarding the crash is encouraged to contact the Coast Guard Sector Long Island Sound command center at [203-468-4401](tel:203-468-4401) or on the radio at VHF-FM marine radio channel-16.

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