

**Mel Torme Reveals for the First Time . . .**

# I Saw a UFO Put On a Dazzling Aerial Ballet

Singer Mel Torme reveals for the first time that he saw an incredible UFO whose dazzling "aerial ballet" and "impossible turns" left him with little doubt that the craft had come from another world.

"I'm a pretty tough cookie to fool," said the performer, recalling his dramatic sighting over New York City. "I have a pilot's license, and believe me, never in all my hours of flying have I seen anything in the air capable of maneuvering at the speed this baby traveled.

"It was a hot, humid day in August 1963. I was up late working on an arrangement to a new song. Around 2 a.m., I went out to walk my dog, and almost immediately my attention was diverted in the general direction of the East River.

"There — drifting out of the blackness of space — was this glowing red object."

At first, recalled Mel, the strange object "was barely a speck against the sky." Then, as it moved to a position almost directly overhead, Torme said he was able to see a form behind the glowing light.

"I could see a strange saucer-shaped craft," he revealed. "The UFO was up around 5,000 feet, just looking down at me. It was unlike any aircraft I am familiar with — and I know them all!"

Suddenly, the UFO took off in a southerly direction. "It moved quickly — faster than my eyes could follow. Then a fraction of a second later, it came to an abrupt halt.

"It stopped dead on a dime as if it had run into an invisible obstacle. Then it start-



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ed doing 'figure 8' maneuvers and 'loops.' It put on a real show, darting back and forth — as if performing an aerial ballet.

"Its 'impossible' right angle turns literally defied the laws of aerodynamics."

Mel said no human could have withstood the tremendous G-forces created by the rapid acceleration of the craft. "Whoever was on board must have had flesh made out of steel."

After 5 minutes, the UFO "zipped away," says the singer, who added that in all likelihood it was a ship from another world. "Descriptions from other observers of similar craft leave little doubt in my mind that this is what is most commonly referred to as a 'flying saucer.'"