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00:00:09,350 --> 00:00:05,990
in 1948 and they were having quite a

2
00:00:11,870 --> 00:00:09,360
round of UFO uh sightings at that time

3
00:00:14,890 --> 00:00:11,880
and at the time I was back in North

4
00:00:17,930 --> 00:00:14,900
Carolina flying in reserve we had uh

5
00:00:21,710 --> 00:00:17,940
347s there changed the designation now

6
00:00:24,529 --> 00:00:21,720
to f-47's Fighters uh the old jug as we

7
00:00:26,349 --> 00:00:24,539
used to call it and we were going out to

8
00:00:28,910 --> 00:00:26,359
do some flowering one Saturday morning

9
00:00:30,410 --> 00:00:28,920
and there was really this there's a map

10
00:00:32,150 --> 00:00:30,420
on this particular flight we were going

11
00:00:35,510 --> 00:00:32,160
to look over the countryside do a little

12
00:00:38,930 --> 00:00:35,520
formation uh worked and uh that was

13
00:00:41,569 --> 00:00:38,940

about it so the boys lined up I was

14

00:00:44,030 --> 00:00:41,579

number two in takeoff position the other

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00:00:46,369 --> 00:00:44,040

ship took off ahead of me

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00:00:49,729 --> 00:00:46,379

and this was approximately nine o'clock

17

00:00:53,450 --> 00:00:49,739

in the morning and uh the chick took off

18

00:00:56,750 --> 00:00:53,460

and I cleared the deck and uh leader to

19

00:00:57,889 --> 00:00:56,760

join up somewhere around uh eight to ten

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00:01:00,290 --> 00:00:57,899

thousand feet

21

00:01:02,090 --> 00:01:00,300

I haven't taken off and climbed up to

22

00:01:04,070 --> 00:01:02,100

approximately five or six thousand

23

00:01:06,590 --> 00:01:04,080

freedom of the exactly sure right now of

24

00:01:09,649 --> 00:01:06,600

the hour of dude and they the tower

25

00:01:12,469 --> 00:01:09,659

called me or not necessarily called me

26

00:01:14,210 --> 00:01:12,479
called to the Street Fighters just

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00:01:18,170 --> 00:01:14,220
clearing the area

28

00:01:20,330 --> 00:01:18,180
to say saw anything in the air

29

00:01:21,469 --> 00:01:20,340
at such and such a position from the

30

00:01:25,310 --> 00:01:21,479
field

31

00:01:29,390 --> 00:01:25,320
with that I looked up and to my right

32

00:01:31,850 --> 00:01:29,400
uh at approximately oh I would say by

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00:01:34,490 --> 00:01:31,860
the clock probably around one o'clock or

34

00:01:37,310 --> 00:01:34,500
two o'clock in position on the two

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00:01:39,530 --> 00:01:37,320
o'clock position I saw a large ball of

36

00:01:42,770 --> 00:01:39,540
fire that's what it looked like to me

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00:01:44,090 --> 00:01:42,780
anyway as I say I got the call but then

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00:01:45,770 --> 00:01:44,100

of course I immediately started looking

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00:01:47,450 --> 00:01:45,780

around I looked up to the right saw this

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00:01:51,590 --> 00:01:47,460

ball of fire at approximately two

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00:01:53,450 --> 00:01:51,600

o'clock and uh with that I shoved the

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00:01:55,910 --> 00:01:53,460

throttle to the firewall and

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00:01:58,010 --> 00:01:55,920

end up in this direction I wasn't sure

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00:01:59,690 --> 00:01:58,020

at the moment I sort of blinked my eyes

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00:02:00,969 --> 00:01:59,700

I turned my head for a second they

46

00:02:04,670 --> 00:02:00,979

couldn't pass me it was the sun

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00:02:05,749 --> 00:02:04,680

reflecting off the canopy of the

48

00:02:08,710 --> 00:02:05,759

aircraft

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00:02:12,949 --> 00:02:08,720

that was a normal sunny morning

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00:02:14,990 --> 00:02:12,959

visibility was unlimited very few

51
00:02:16,369 --> 00:02:15,000
scattered clouds

52
00:02:19,790 --> 00:02:16,379
um as the sitting at that time was

53
00:02:22,309 --> 00:02:19,800
probably somewhere around oh 20 25 000

54
00:02:23,570 --> 00:02:22,319
feet I say seating any clouds that were

55
00:02:24,589 --> 00:02:23,580
in the area were approximately that

56
00:02:28,430 --> 00:02:24,599
altitude

57
00:02:31,010 --> 00:02:28,440
and I turned up into my light climbing

58
00:02:34,070 --> 00:02:31,020
up in the direction as I pulled up on

59
00:02:36,890 --> 00:02:34,080
the nose of the aircraft this object or

60
00:02:40,190 --> 00:02:36,900
ball of fire as it appeared to me moved

61
00:02:43,790 --> 00:02:40,200
across in front of me not necessarily at

62
00:02:46,910 --> 00:02:43,800
any uh rapid rate of speed nor was it

63
00:02:49,550 --> 00:02:46,920

slow but it moved uh do my eyesight

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00:02:52,670 --> 00:02:49,560

anyway moved across in front of me I

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00:02:55,970 --> 00:02:52,680

then sort of over on left Wings still

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00:02:58,490 --> 00:02:55,980

climbing and uh pulled up toward it and

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00:03:01,670 --> 00:02:58,500

with that as I made my turn to the left

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00:03:05,809 --> 00:03:01,680

to still climbing uh I was then

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00:03:08,570 --> 00:03:05,819

approximately I would say at about 15

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00:03:11,270 --> 00:03:08,580

000 feet it's exactly sure the altitude

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00:03:12,830 --> 00:03:11,280

right now I know when I cited it I

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00:03:14,030 --> 00:03:12,840

believe I was around six or seven

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00:03:16,610 --> 00:03:14,040

thousand feet

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00:03:18,949 --> 00:03:16,620

and I had climbed almost that much more

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00:03:21,229 --> 00:03:18,959

another seven or eight thousand feet as

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00:03:24,290 --> 00:03:21,239

I started making my turn to the left was

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00:03:25,390 --> 00:03:24,300

that the object in a very rapid rate of

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00:03:30,470 --> 00:03:25,400

speed

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00:03:33,050 --> 00:03:30,480

directly up straight up and disappeared

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00:03:35,750 --> 00:03:33,060

from you I mean it just uh it didn't

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00:03:37,790 --> 00:03:35,760

abruptly fade from view it just

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00:03:40,369 --> 00:03:37,800

disappeared I mean gradually just show

83

00:03:43,309 --> 00:03:40,379

them you know something in your line of

84

00:03:45,949 --> 00:03:43,319

vision just goes out of sight by that

85

00:03:49,009 --> 00:03:45,959

time I as I pulled up then I know that

86

00:03:51,530 --> 00:03:49,019

my last altitude check was around I

87

00:03:52,610 --> 00:03:51,540

believe 16 17 000 feet something were in

88

00:03:56,390 --> 00:03:52,620

there and of course I didn't have any

89

00:03:59,270 --> 00:03:56,400

Oxygen I immediately overrun a wing and

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00:04:00,589 --> 00:03:59,280

uh down again I called the tower and

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00:04:04,009 --> 00:04:00,599

they blow contact with the tower

92

00:04:06,530 --> 00:04:04,019

whatsoever uh until this point I called

93

00:04:09,830 --> 00:04:06,540

the tower to tell them that I had seen

94

00:04:13,369 --> 00:04:09,840

this object uh they themselves

95

00:04:15,649 --> 00:04:13,379

said that they demand Tower spotted the

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00:04:17,569 --> 00:04:15,659

object and called the aircraft in the

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00:04:19,969 --> 00:04:17,579

area to see whether anyone was having

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00:04:23,870 --> 00:04:19,979

any trouble or just what they might have

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00:04:26,450 --> 00:04:23,880

seen I then came down called the other

100

00:04:27,950 --> 00:04:26,460

aircraft and asked them if they had seen

101
00:04:29,570 --> 00:04:27,960
them one of the other Pilots said he

102
00:04:33,110 --> 00:04:29,580
thought he saw something he wasn't sure

103
00:04:35,150 --> 00:04:33,120
but he did see me uh play with all of my

104
00:04:38,270 --> 00:04:35,160
aircraft and started climbing and he

105
00:04:39,710 --> 00:04:38,280
couldn't figure out why we were supposed

106
00:04:42,350 --> 00:04:39,720
to meet in a certain area and I was

107
00:04:44,150 --> 00:04:42,360
going in the opposite direction I told

108
00:04:46,310 --> 00:04:44,160
him what I had seen just briefly is that

109
00:04:48,290 --> 00:04:46,320
I spotted something and without the

110
00:04:49,850 --> 00:04:48,300
tower operator cut in and wanted to come

111
00:04:52,909 --> 00:04:49,860
down and make a report

112
00:04:56,390 --> 00:04:52,919
so I immediately landed and went into

113
00:04:57,710 --> 00:04:56,400

operations and filed my report oh I

114

00:05:01,070 --> 00:04:57,720

imagine it was some two or three weeks

115

00:05:02,270 --> 00:05:01,080

later so the people from Washington I

116

00:05:04,010 --> 00:05:02,280

guess they were from Washington where

117

00:05:06,530 --> 00:05:04,020

they came from came down to talk to me

118

00:05:09,230 --> 00:05:06,540

as far as any more elaboration on this

119

00:05:11,810 --> 00:05:09,240

particular UFO sighting

120

00:05:13,790 --> 00:05:11,820

and I would have to say that it is UFO

121

00:05:16,070 --> 00:05:13,800

it certainly was unidentified

122

00:05:20,390 --> 00:05:16,080

I never figure this that I did not see

123

00:05:22,490 --> 00:05:20,400

any shape whatsoever to this object I

124

00:05:25,370 --> 00:05:22,500

mean I've heard reports I had heard

125

00:05:27,890 --> 00:05:25,380

reports prior to this one I've heard

126

00:05:31,909 --> 00:05:27,900

them since but they said that the people

127

00:05:35,510 --> 00:05:31,919

saying they found them had actually seen

128

00:05:40,189 --> 00:05:35,520

a definite shape to the uh object was

129

00:05:43,490 --> 00:05:40,199

possibly a blurred outline of light uh

130

00:05:46,370 --> 00:05:43,500

to it but in myocardine there was

131

00:05:49,129 --> 00:05:46,380

absolutely no shade to it whatsoever

132

00:05:51,830 --> 00:05:49,139

other than just a ball

133

00:05:54,890 --> 00:05:51,840

I would have to say it was round the

134

00:05:56,330 --> 00:05:54,900

round ball of fire not necessarily any

135

00:05:59,629 --> 00:05:56,340

brighter in the center

136

00:06:01,490 --> 00:05:59,639

than it was on the Outer Edge it did

137

00:06:04,070 --> 00:06:01,500

fade off on the Outer Edge the outer

138

00:06:07,070 --> 00:06:04,080

edge was not clearly defined it was it

139

00:06:11,330 --> 00:06:07,080

was um Jesus as fire as you know when

140

00:06:16,189 --> 00:06:11,340

you see uh fire burning it's not that

141

00:06:20,510 --> 00:06:16,199

clearly outlined flame it's uh Jagged

142

00:06:22,189 --> 00:06:20,520

edges or fuzzy edges and that's what

143

00:06:24,890 --> 00:06:22,199

there was to this there was absolutely

144

00:06:26,930 --> 00:06:24,900

no definite outline to it whatsoever and

145

00:06:28,550 --> 00:06:26,940

as far as moving when it moved it moved

146

00:06:33,469 --> 00:06:28,560

in the same shape it did not leave the

147

00:06:36,550 --> 00:06:33,479

tail behind it in order to change in in

148

00:06:40,550 --> 00:06:36,560

shape or size or color

149

00:06:43,370 --> 00:06:40,560

in any manner shape or form and I was I

150

00:06:46,129 --> 00:06:43,380

was uh fairly sure in my own estimation

151
00:06:48,529 --> 00:06:46,139
that uh possible was the sun reflecting

152
00:06:51,469 --> 00:06:48,539
after the canopy I don't know why I've

153
00:06:55,249 --> 00:06:51,479
had uh in various Maneuvers and aircraft

154
00:06:58,610 --> 00:06:55,259
with a flexi class uh canopy on it I've

155
00:07:01,150 --> 00:06:58,620
had the sun glare off of it and uh I

156
00:07:05,809 --> 00:07:01,160
always wear sunglasses when I fly

157
00:07:07,189 --> 00:07:05,819
except of course in in a real cloudy

158
00:07:10,490 --> 00:07:07,199
rainy weather where you naturally

159
00:07:12,890 --> 00:07:10,500
wouldn't need it but in on one about

160
00:07:15,529 --> 00:07:12,900
some sunny days I always wear sunglasses

161
00:07:18,110 --> 00:07:15,539
named pet I have made turns where the

162
00:07:20,210 --> 00:07:18,120
sun we say is behind me that I would

163
00:07:22,850 --> 00:07:20,220

make a turn which would cause the sun to

164

00:07:25,730 --> 00:07:22,860

reflect off of the canopy's aircraft and

165

00:07:28,969 --> 00:07:25,740

I've had it reflect in a streak or just

166

00:07:31,249 --> 00:07:28,979

a flash of ball of the sun my sunglasses

167

00:07:34,969 --> 00:07:31,259

would be diffusing the right erect

168

00:07:38,749 --> 00:07:34,979

portion of the sunlight and uh I've used

169

00:07:40,670 --> 00:07:38,759

Polaroid glasses but uh I I don't know

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00:07:42,650 --> 00:07:40,680

since I say I'm not going to sit here