



DR. GEORGE GAINES

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00:00:40,310 --> 00:00:12,210

[Music]

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00:00:45,350 --> 00:00:42,310

hello and welcome to the show i'm martin

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00:00:47,430 --> 00:00:45,360

willis your host just got back into town

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00:00:49,350 --> 00:00:47,440

there's been a change with a guest

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00:00:51,910 --> 00:00:49,360

so instead of me canceling the show i

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00:00:55,029 --> 00:00:51,920

decided i'm going to run a

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00:00:57,830 --> 00:00:55,039

replay of dr george gaines that aired

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00:00:59,590 --> 00:00:57,840

back in july of 2017

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00:01:01,670 --> 00:00:59,600

if you didn't catch it you're going to

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00:01:04,469 --> 00:01:01,680

want to catch his story this time now

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00:01:07,109 --> 00:01:04,479

this was back before i was recording or

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00:01:09,590 --> 00:01:07,119

running live streams with video so it's

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00:01:10,630 --> 00:01:09,600

just audio but it's a great story a very

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00:01:13,270 --> 00:01:10,640

interesting

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00:01:15,429 --> 00:01:13,280

man and i'm sure you'll really uh like

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00:01:18,230 --> 00:01:15,439

that a couple of things next week we

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00:01:21,030 --> 00:01:18,240

have chris lato back on he's the uh

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00:01:23,670 --> 00:01:21,040

retired f-16 pilot he's been working

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00:01:25,270 --> 00:01:23,680

hard he's done a lot of things positive

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00:01:27,190 --> 00:01:25,280

in the ufo field we're going to be

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00:01:29,670 --> 00:01:27,200

talking to him about that the following

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00:01:32,789 --> 00:01:29,680

week i'm going to be uh coming at you

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00:01:34,630 --> 00:01:32,799

from james fox home and studio over in

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00:01:37,350 --> 00:01:34,640

vermont you don't want to miss that one

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00:01:39,749 --> 00:01:37,360

that should be a lot of fun and that

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00:01:41,350 --> 00:01:39,759

will be on may 3rd so down in the show

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00:01:43,990 --> 00:01:41,360

notes you'll see a link that i'm going

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00:01:46,310 --> 00:01:44,000

to be on a show right after this one

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00:01:47,990 --> 00:01:46,320

with the new york mufon eye detective

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00:01:51,030 --> 00:01:48,000

chris deperno

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00:01:52,710 --> 00:01:51,040

so that will also be in the audio feed

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00:01:55,830 --> 00:01:52,720

on our podcast

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00:01:57,990 --> 00:01:55,840

and speaking of audio feeds our blog is

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00:02:01,270 --> 00:01:58,000

made into an audio blog every week and

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00:02:03,749 --> 00:02:01,280

that's always on our uh podcast feed by

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00:02:06,389 --> 00:02:03,759

charles lear and this week

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00:02:08,469 --> 00:02:06,399

it's called a ufo creature encounter

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00:02:10,630 --> 00:02:08,479

report from kufo japan

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00:02:14,150 --> 00:02:10,640

it's about two seven-year-old boys back

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00:02:16,869 --> 00:02:14,160

in 1975 they had quite an encounter very

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00:02:19,750 --> 00:02:16,879

detailed uh so check that out uh well

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00:02:22,150 --> 00:02:19,760

we're ready to go with dr george gaines

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00:02:24,150 --> 00:02:22,160

i do want to thank everyone first of all

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00:02:26,750 --> 00:02:24,160

for supporting the show i couldn't do it

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00:02:29,110 --> 00:02:26,760

without you anyone can do that over at

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00:02:30,869 --> 00:02:29,120

podcastufo.com you'll see the link for

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00:02:31,670 --> 00:02:30,879

only two dollars or more you can help us

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00:02:33,990 --> 00:02:31,680

out

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00:02:36,229 --> 00:02:34,000

and we are ready to go with george

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00:02:39,110 --> 00:02:36,239

gaines it's an incredible story i will

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00:02:41,750 --> 00:02:39,120
be live in chat so um i will be

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00:03:00,410 --> 00:02:41,760
interacting with you there and let's try

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00:03:00,420 --> 00:03:14,229
[Music]

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00:03:19,750 --> 00:03:16,949
our guest this evening is dr

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00:03:20,949 --> 00:03:19,760
w george gaines he grew up in pensacola

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00:03:23,190 --> 00:03:20,959
florida

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00:03:25,350 --> 00:03:23,200
and uh he's lived and worked throughout

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00:03:27,670 --> 00:03:25,360
the united states and europe

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00:03:29,350 --> 00:03:27,680
and we're going to talk about a

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00:03:31,750 --> 00:03:29,360
sighting had

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00:03:34,229 --> 00:03:31,760
an encounter he had when he was very

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00:03:37,030 --> 00:03:34,239
young and what followed after that

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00:03:39,190 --> 00:03:37,040

and welcome to the show george

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00:03:42,070 --> 00:03:39,200

well thanks martin i'm i'm pleased to be

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00:03:44,710 --> 00:03:42,080

with you tonight thank you now you and i

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00:03:47,030 --> 00:03:44,720

it's funny you and i talked on the phone

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00:03:49,030 --> 00:03:47,040

about a whole nother subject and

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00:03:50,550 --> 00:03:49,040

uh i

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00:03:55,030 --> 00:03:50,560

came clean and told you i did a show on

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00:03:57,750 --> 00:03:55,040

ufos that's how our conversation started

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00:03:59,750 --> 00:03:57,760

right yeah and uh so

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00:04:03,350 --> 00:03:59,760

can you give a little bit of background

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00:04:05,190 --> 00:04:03,360

and and also um your you know you've

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you've had a professional career and all

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that and you know it's interesting how

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00:04:13,270 --> 00:04:10,799

um this encounter probably changed your

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00:04:16,229 --> 00:04:13,280

way of thinking didn't it

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00:04:19,110 --> 00:04:16,239

it certainly did uh and let me just

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00:04:21,189 --> 00:04:19,120

begin by saying that um

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00:04:23,830 --> 00:04:21,199

much of the story that i'll i'll tell

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00:04:27,030 --> 00:04:23,840

tonight has been reconstructed over a

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00:04:29,030 --> 00:04:27,040

long period of time

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a lot of what i'm going to tell

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00:04:31,670 --> 00:04:30,080

uh

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00:04:34,310 --> 00:04:31,680

i didn't know

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00:04:37,110 --> 00:04:34,320

at the time but it's things that i have

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00:04:39,590 --> 00:04:37,120

found out since then by doing research

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00:04:41,110 --> 00:04:39,600

and follow-up so

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00:04:43,270 --> 00:04:41,120

people might wonder well did you know

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00:04:45,270 --> 00:04:43,280

this at the time and the answer is no of

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00:04:46,550 --> 00:04:45,280

course i didn't know i was a 12 year old

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00:04:49,510 --> 00:04:46,560

kid

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00:04:50,629 --> 00:04:49,520

all i knew is what happened that night

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00:04:52,790 --> 00:04:50,639

and

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00:04:55,749 --> 00:04:52,800

you know as an adult i have

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00:04:57,749 --> 00:04:55,759

tried to follow this as best as i could

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00:05:01,029 --> 00:04:57,759

and it's only in recent years that i was

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00:05:03,909 --> 00:05:01,039

able to learn more about the sighting

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00:05:05,189 --> 00:05:03,919

oh you actually learned more uh now is

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00:05:07,350 --> 00:05:05,199

this um

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00:05:10,230 --> 00:05:07,360
so this one why don't you go into the

102
00:05:13,749 --> 00:05:10,240
story how the whole encounter

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00:05:15,270 --> 00:05:13,759
began in the whole situation

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00:05:17,909 --> 00:05:15,280
sure

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00:05:20,070 --> 00:05:17,919
well we go back to

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00:05:22,790 --> 00:05:20,080
july the 23rd

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00:05:24,710 --> 00:05:22,800
1956

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00:05:28,469 --> 00:05:24,720
pensacola florida

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00:05:31,350 --> 00:05:28,479
uh pensacola uh at the time and still is

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00:05:33,350 --> 00:05:31,360
the cradle of naval aviation

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00:05:35,990 --> 00:05:33,360
it's uh

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00:05:36,870 --> 00:05:36,000
there are many bases uh

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00:05:43,430 --> 00:05:36,880

there

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00:05:45,270 --> 00:05:43,440

today

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00:05:47,990 --> 00:05:45,280

at least a half a dozen

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00:05:49,830 --> 00:05:48,000

bases where naval aircraft flew in and

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00:05:52,790 --> 00:05:49,840

out regularly

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00:05:56,550 --> 00:05:52,800

i was born in pensacola my my father was

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00:05:59,590 --> 00:05:56,560

a naval aviator uh during the war and

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00:06:00,950 --> 00:05:59,600

also an instructor and then he ended up

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00:06:03,990 --> 00:06:00,960

flying

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00:06:05,510 --> 00:06:04,000

heavy bombers uh in world war ii out of

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00:06:06,390 --> 00:06:05,520

england

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00:06:10,230 --> 00:06:06,400

for

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00:06:12,070 --> 00:06:10,240

not too many navy pilots

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00:06:14,230 --> 00:06:12,080

flew heavy bombers

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00:06:16,710 --> 00:06:14,240

out of england in world war ii but my

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00:06:20,629 --> 00:06:16,720

dad was one of those and

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00:06:22,469 --> 00:06:20,639

was fortunate enough to to survive um

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00:06:25,110 --> 00:06:22,479

i'll come back to him a little bit later

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00:06:28,469 --> 00:06:25,120

because uh he's an interesting

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00:06:29,749 --> 00:06:28,479

figure in in his own right

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00:06:32,550 --> 00:06:29,759

so

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00:06:35,590 --> 00:06:32,560

you know i grew up in an environment of

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00:06:37,510 --> 00:06:35,600

uh being extremely familiar with

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00:06:42,070 --> 00:06:37,520

aircraft in the sky

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00:06:43,430 --> 00:06:42,080

day night and and i prided myself uh

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00:06:44,950 --> 00:06:43,440

as as a

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00:06:48,150 --> 00:06:44,960

young aviation

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00:06:50,870 --> 00:06:48,160

enthusiast i mean my goal was to become

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00:06:53,189 --> 00:06:50,880

a marine corps pilot one day that never

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00:06:56,790 --> 00:06:53,199

happened but

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00:06:58,870 --> 00:06:56,800

i i was very very interested in aircraft

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00:07:03,029 --> 00:06:58,880

and could identify

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any any aircraft by type and model or so

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and and i was also

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00:07:12,150 --> 00:07:10,800

interested in in ufos i'll just say that

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00:07:13,350 --> 00:07:12,160

right up front

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00:07:16,629 --> 00:07:13,360

um

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00:07:19,589 --> 00:07:16,639

i remember at a very tender age when the

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00:07:21,909 --> 00:07:19,599

roswell incident was first publicized i

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00:07:22,629 --> 00:07:21,919

remember how excited my mother got about

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00:07:24,629 --> 00:07:22,639

it

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00:07:27,270 --> 00:07:24,639

and uh she

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00:07:29,670 --> 00:07:27,280

you know told me about it and

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00:07:30,710 --> 00:07:29,680

from from the earliest times i can

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00:07:34,070 --> 00:07:30,720

remember

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i was interested in astronomy

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00:07:40,469 --> 00:07:37,840

in the stars in aircraft and through

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00:07:42,070 --> 00:07:40,479

just simply through what i would call

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00:07:45,110 --> 00:07:42,080

logic

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00:07:46,710 --> 00:07:45,120

i was convinced in my own mind that that

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00:07:49,589 --> 00:07:46,720

we were not alone

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00:07:51,510 --> 00:07:49,599

but i'd never seen anything and was

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always sort of looking but

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00:07:55,830 --> 00:07:53,360

never really saw anything other than

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00:07:58,869 --> 00:07:55,840

what was obvious

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00:08:00,629 --> 00:07:58,879

aircraft flying at night uh george hang

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00:08:03,029 --> 00:08:00,639

on just a second there can we sure

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00:08:05,430 --> 00:08:03,039

before we move on from this i wanted to

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00:08:08,950 --> 00:08:05,440

ask you because you don't hear

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00:08:10,550 --> 00:08:08,960

a lot about people talking about roswell

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00:08:12,390 --> 00:08:10,560

when it happened

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00:08:14,869 --> 00:08:12,400

you know so i just wanted to touch on

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00:08:16,629 --> 00:08:14,879

that a little bit um you you know i i

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00:08:17,909 --> 00:08:16,639

understand that you know the news went

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00:08:20,390 --> 00:08:17,919

out uh

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00:08:22,869 --> 00:08:20,400

and it was in papers everywhere

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00:08:24,629 --> 00:08:22,879

and uh you know it was publicized and

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00:08:26,950 --> 00:08:24,639

then it was you know the weather the

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00:08:29,830 --> 00:08:26,960

balloon the next day and then nobody

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00:08:33,190 --> 00:08:29,840

talked about it for for many many years

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00:08:34,389 --> 00:08:33,200

so do you you you remember hearing about

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00:08:37,350 --> 00:08:34,399

that

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00:08:39,190 --> 00:08:37,360

and uh you you probably heard the next

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00:08:42,630 --> 00:08:39,200

day that it was just a weather balloon

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00:08:44,149 --> 00:08:42,640

but did you remember that um in your

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00:08:45,750 --> 00:08:44,159

childhood and

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00:08:47,670 --> 00:08:45,760

as you got older

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00:08:49,269 --> 00:08:47,680

and then when it resurfaced in the late

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00:08:50,949 --> 00:08:49,279

1980s

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00:08:52,310 --> 00:08:50,959

you said oh yeah or something like that

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00:08:57,110 --> 00:08:52,320

how did that all

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00:09:00,630 --> 00:08:57,120

it was it was a very powerful early

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00:09:03,750 --> 00:09:00,640

memory um i remember a great deal about

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00:09:07,110 --> 00:09:03,760

my early childhood um it's it's not the

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the blur that some people have but

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00:09:11,910 --> 00:09:09,440

i'm fortunate to to

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00:09:14,389 --> 00:09:11,920

have have some very clear memories uh i

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00:09:16,870 --> 00:09:14,399

remember when world war ii ended and i

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00:09:18,070 --> 00:09:16,880

was very small at the time

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00:09:20,949 --> 00:09:18,080

um

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00:09:22,870 --> 00:09:20,959

and and but but i remember the roswell

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00:09:25,110 --> 00:09:22,880

incident being in the paper

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00:09:27,350 --> 00:09:25,120

i don't remember reading about it but i

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00:09:29,990 --> 00:09:27,360

know my mother read about it and and

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00:09:32,070 --> 00:09:30,000

then when they came up with the uh

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00:09:34,310 --> 00:09:32,080

debunking story

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my mother was quite a skeptic and she

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says i think they've just made that up

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i think it's a cover-up and and so

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00:09:45,590 --> 00:09:43,279

that's my earliest recollection of

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00:09:47,509 --> 00:09:45,600

roswell and then of course when it came

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00:09:49,269 --> 00:09:47,519

it's been back in the news you know

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00:09:51,590 --> 00:09:49,279

several times

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00:09:53,670 --> 00:09:51,600

uh that you know

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00:09:57,030 --> 00:09:53,680

i guess i always believed it was just a

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00:09:58,550 --> 00:09:57,040

cover-up by by the government to uh

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00:10:00,470 --> 00:09:58,560

shield us from

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00:10:01,509 --> 00:10:00,480

the the truth

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00:10:07,269 --> 00:10:01,519

so

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00:10:09,829 --> 00:10:07,279

at the time of the sighting i would say

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00:10:13,190 --> 00:10:09,839

that i was certainly receptive and

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00:10:14,949 --> 00:10:13,200

anything but a skeptic but i was not a

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00:10:18,150 --> 00:10:14,959

child that was subject to wild

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00:10:19,910 --> 00:10:18,160

imagination uh i was very scientific in

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00:10:21,110 --> 00:10:19,920

my orientation

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00:10:23,670 --> 00:10:21,120

and uh

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00:10:27,030 --> 00:10:23,680

you know have have had a a good career

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00:10:29,590 --> 00:10:27,040

as as a behavioral scientist and and so

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00:10:33,590 --> 00:10:29,600

i consider myself a pretty

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00:10:34,550 --> 00:10:33,600

cold-blooded objective observer

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00:10:37,750 --> 00:10:34,560

so

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00:10:40,630 --> 00:10:37,760

the the way this happened was um it was

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00:10:42,310 --> 00:10:40,640

a hot it was a hot summer night and uh i

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00:10:43,509 --> 00:10:42,320

had a little girlfriend that lived down

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00:10:48,069 --> 00:10:43,519

the street

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00:10:48,870 --> 00:10:48,079

and um her parents uh invited me and and

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00:10:52,150 --> 00:10:48,880

her

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00:10:53,590 --> 00:10:52,160

to go out uh to the airport and of

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00:10:55,829 --> 00:10:53,600

course you might say

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00:10:59,269 --> 00:10:55,839

go to the airport what is that well in

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00:11:02,630 --> 00:10:59,279

pensacola in 1956 that was about the

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00:11:05,190 --> 00:11:02,640

most exciting thing for for kids to do

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00:11:08,150 --> 00:11:05,200

was to go out to the airport and wait

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00:11:09,670 --> 00:11:08,160

for the occasional aircraft to land

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00:11:11,750 --> 00:11:09,680

because then you could see them come up

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00:11:13,990 --> 00:11:11,760

and you could feel the prop wash and all

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00:11:17,509 --> 00:11:14,000

that and see the people getting off and

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00:11:18,870 --> 00:11:17,519

people getting on it was a very exciting

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00:11:19,990 --> 00:11:18,880
thing to do

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00:11:21,829 --> 00:11:20,000
so

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00:11:24,310 --> 00:11:21,839
we went out to the airport and i

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00:11:26,870 --> 00:11:24,320
remember that her mother and father were

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00:11:29,030 --> 00:11:26,880
not particularly interested in hanging

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00:11:31,590 --> 00:11:29,040
around with us they were in the coffee

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00:11:34,470 --> 00:11:31,600
shop there uh having

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00:11:35,590 --> 00:11:34,480
i guess coffee and pie or whatever they

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00:11:37,190 --> 00:11:35,600
were drinking

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00:11:39,910 --> 00:11:37,200
and uh so

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00:11:42,630 --> 00:11:39,920
my little girlfriend and i went out to

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00:11:44,230 --> 00:11:42,640
the fence and the fence was

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00:11:46,470 --> 00:11:44,240

you know this is not like a an airport

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00:11:48,069 --> 00:11:46,480

today i mean it's just a a chain link

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00:11:51,110 --> 00:11:48,079

fence

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00:11:52,710 --> 00:11:51,120

and you could i can remember you know

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00:11:54,150 --> 00:11:52,720

putting my fingers on it and you know

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00:11:56,470 --> 00:11:54,160

holding on to the fence and kind of

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00:12:00,470 --> 00:11:56,480

leaning back and forth and so we were

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00:12:01,750 --> 00:12:00,480

just looking for aircraft to to come in

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00:12:02,710 --> 00:12:01,760

and land

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00:12:05,670 --> 00:12:02,720

and

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00:12:08,230 --> 00:12:05,680

as it turned out um my girlfriend was a

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00:12:10,629 --> 00:12:08,240

year older than me she was 13

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00:12:13,910 --> 00:12:10,639

and she um

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00:12:15,829 --> 00:12:13,920

she had to wear glasses for distance

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00:12:17,590 --> 00:12:15,839

and but she didn't have them on that

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00:12:19,670 --> 00:12:17,600

night i guess because she was hoping

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00:12:22,949 --> 00:12:19,680

that you know i might try to kiss her

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00:12:25,190 --> 00:12:22,959

well that that was so far from my mind

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00:12:27,829 --> 00:12:25,200

as a 12 year old i mean i just wasn't

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00:12:29,829 --> 00:12:27,839

about to do anything like that but but

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00:12:31,750 --> 00:12:29,839

she didn't you know with being you know

284

00:12:34,629 --> 00:12:31,760

a young lady she was slightly vain and

285

00:12:35,990 --> 00:12:34,639

wanted to appear very very attractive

286

00:12:39,269 --> 00:12:36,000

which she was

287

00:12:41,750 --> 00:12:39,279

and still is and and so

288

00:12:45,030 --> 00:12:41,760

we were looking at the fence and looking

289

00:12:47,430 --> 00:12:45,040

up at the moon which was

290

00:12:49,910 --> 00:12:47,440

not a crescent moon but it wasn't a

291

00:12:51,509 --> 00:12:49,920

quarter moon either it was somewhere in

292

00:12:54,470 --> 00:12:51,519

in between

293

00:12:58,389 --> 00:12:54,480

and there were some stars that were very

294

00:13:00,150 --> 00:12:58,399

very close to the moon and i i commented

295

00:13:03,750 --> 00:13:00,160

to her i said look at look at those

296

00:13:05,509 --> 00:13:03,760

stars they're right next to the moon

297

00:13:07,670 --> 00:13:05,519

and so we looked at them for a while and

298

00:13:10,790 --> 00:13:07,680

she said yeah yeah i see him and and in

299

00:13:15,269 --> 00:13:10,800

fact she really didn't see anything

300

00:13:16,790 --> 00:13:15,279

so my my one witness was was uh

301
00:13:19,110 --> 00:13:16,800
worthless

302
00:13:21,750 --> 00:13:19,120
and and so i noticed that one of the

303
00:13:24,389 --> 00:13:21,760
stars seemed to be getting

304
00:13:26,710 --> 00:13:24,399
bigger and bigger i said wow i said look

305
00:13:27,910 --> 00:13:26,720
at that that's that could be an airplane

306
00:13:30,310 --> 00:13:27,920
coming in

307
00:13:33,509 --> 00:13:30,320
and but but it was stationary it just

308
00:13:34,710 --> 00:13:33,519
never moved never moved it got bigger

309
00:13:37,829 --> 00:13:34,720
and bigger

310
00:13:40,550 --> 00:13:37,839
and all of a sudden it got so big that

311
00:13:43,350 --> 00:13:40,560
it divided into two

312
00:13:45,750 --> 00:13:43,360
what appeared to be stars i said holy

313
00:13:46,550 --> 00:13:45,760

smokes look at that there are two of

314

00:13:50,150 --> 00:13:46,560

them

315

00:13:53,350 --> 00:13:50,160

and and so they they remained stationary

316

00:13:55,430 --> 00:13:53,360

for at least five or six minutes

317

00:13:57,670 --> 00:13:55,440

without moving but they

318

00:13:59,670 --> 00:13:57,680

one became two

319

00:14:02,069 --> 00:13:59,680

and then i thought i said i believe

320

00:14:04,069 --> 00:14:02,079

they're moving to the south because we

321

00:14:06,790 --> 00:14:04,079

were looking eastward

322

00:14:09,350 --> 00:14:06,800

and uh i said yes yes look they're

323

00:14:12,629 --> 00:14:09,360

they're both moving together and then

324

00:14:13,509 --> 00:14:12,639

then they began to move apart where one

325

00:14:16,150 --> 00:14:13,519

went

326

00:14:18,629 --> 00:14:16,160

up and the other remains stationary more

327

00:14:21,110 --> 00:14:18,639

or less flying along the horizon

328

00:14:22,310 --> 00:14:21,120

and so this this really got my juices

329

00:14:24,710 --> 00:14:22,320

going because

330

00:14:27,590 --> 00:14:24,720

i'd never seen anything quite like this

331

00:14:31,350 --> 00:14:27,600

and then the one on top

332

00:14:32,710 --> 00:14:31,360

accelerated rapidly and then took off

333

00:14:35,189 --> 00:14:32,720

straight up

334

00:14:37,430 --> 00:14:35,199

just like it was shot out of a cannon

335

00:14:40,870 --> 00:14:37,440

and i i never seen

336

00:14:43,590 --> 00:14:40,880

any aircraft do anything like that

337

00:14:46,470 --> 00:14:43,600

and i was just stunned to see it and

338

00:14:49,189 --> 00:14:46,480

then the second one the lower one kept

339

00:14:50,949 --> 00:14:49,199

moving straight along the horizon to

340

00:14:54,790 --> 00:14:50,959

toward the south toward the gulf of

341

00:14:57,350 --> 00:14:54,800

mexico and then it took off at the same

342

00:15:00,790 --> 00:14:57,360

rate of speed and just it was just a

343

00:15:04,949 --> 00:15:00,800

blur i mean it wasn't even fast it just

344

00:15:08,069 --> 00:15:04,959

just streaked up and was gone

345

00:15:08,870 --> 00:15:08,079

so that was the signing

346

00:15:13,189 --> 00:15:08,880

and

347

00:15:14,870 --> 00:15:13,199

all i can say is that um on the way home

348

00:15:17,110 --> 00:15:14,880

you know we told her parents what we had

349

00:15:18,470 --> 00:15:17,120

seen and they seemed very interested and

350

00:15:19,910 --> 00:15:18,480

believed just because they knew i was

351
00:15:22,069 --> 00:15:19,920
not the kind

352
00:15:23,269 --> 00:15:22,079
of young man who who made up silly

353
00:15:24,550 --> 00:15:23,279
stories

354
00:15:27,189 --> 00:15:24,560
and um

355
00:15:29,829 --> 00:15:27,199
but when i got home i told my mother

356
00:15:32,470 --> 00:15:29,839
about it and um

357
00:15:34,629 --> 00:15:32,480
you know it just was uh

358
00:15:37,430 --> 00:15:34,639
she said well well make sure you write

359
00:15:39,910 --> 00:15:37,440
down everything so you'll remember it

360
00:15:43,030 --> 00:15:39,920
and and so i did and and i was in my

361
00:15:44,470 --> 00:15:43,040
room making notes and writing it out and

362
00:15:47,030 --> 00:15:44,480
i was so

363
00:15:48,710 --> 00:15:47,040

frightened by what i saw

364

00:15:50,389 --> 00:15:48,720

um it wasn't

365

00:15:51,670 --> 00:15:50,399

i mean there was the initial

366

00:15:54,470 --> 00:15:51,680

exhilaration

367

00:15:56,069 --> 00:15:54,480

but upon reflection i realized that i

368

00:15:57,670 --> 00:15:56,079

had seen something

369

00:15:59,110 --> 00:15:57,680

that was

370

00:15:59,910 --> 00:15:59,120

absolutely

371

00:16:03,189 --> 00:15:59,920

uh

372

00:16:05,110 --> 00:16:03,199

mind-blowing and i was i was afraid

373

00:16:07,110 --> 00:16:05,120

i i don't know what i was afraid of i

374

00:16:09,829 --> 00:16:07,120

guess i was afraid that

375

00:16:12,230 --> 00:16:09,839

maybe they saw me and knew that i saw

376

00:16:14,710 --> 00:16:12,240

them and and that

377

00:16:18,310 --> 00:16:14,720

they they somehow i had a feeling that

378

00:16:19,910 --> 00:16:18,320

they must have known that i saw this

379

00:16:20,790 --> 00:16:19,920

and and so

380

00:16:24,310 --> 00:16:20,800

um

381

00:16:26,870 --> 00:16:24,320

i made detailed notes uh on everything

382

00:16:28,470 --> 00:16:26,880

and as a as a young scientist

383

00:16:31,990 --> 00:16:28,480

later when i was in high school i won

384

00:16:33,829 --> 00:16:32,000

the science fair uh as a sophomore so

385

00:16:37,269 --> 00:16:33,839

that gives you an idea of the kind of

386

00:16:39,910 --> 00:16:37,279

notes that i was making even at 12 years

387

00:16:40,870 --> 00:16:39,920

of age so i made very very detailed

388

00:16:43,030 --> 00:16:40,880

notes

389

00:16:44,710 --> 00:16:43,040

and so the next day i told my mother i

390

00:16:47,590 --> 00:16:44,720

said mother i said

391

00:16:50,230 --> 00:16:47,600

i'm going to write a report and and send

392

00:16:53,030 --> 00:16:50,240

it to the air force and she says oh no

393

00:16:55,910 --> 00:16:53,040

no you you don't want to do that i said

394

00:16:57,749 --> 00:16:55,920

why why not she says oh no she said that

395

00:17:00,230 --> 00:16:57,759

that would just create problems you

396

00:17:01,749 --> 00:17:00,240

don't want to do that don't do that

397

00:17:04,630 --> 00:17:01,759

so

398

00:17:05,590 --> 00:17:04,640

i went ahead and i wrote up a letter and

399

00:17:39,990 --> 00:17:05,600

i

400

00:17:41,990 --> 00:17:40,000

now

401
00:17:43,909 --> 00:17:42,000
less than a week later

402
00:17:46,150 --> 00:17:43,919
it was a saturday morning

403
00:17:49,110 --> 00:17:46,160
the phone rings

404
00:17:50,789 --> 00:17:49,120
and so my job at the house since my

405
00:17:53,350 --> 00:17:50,799
parents were divorced so i lived with my

406
00:17:56,070 --> 00:17:53,360
mother and my grandmother

407
00:17:58,470 --> 00:17:56,080
and and and so my job as the man of the

408
00:18:00,549 --> 00:17:58,480
house was to always answer the phone

409
00:18:01,350 --> 00:18:00,559
which i did

410
00:18:04,630 --> 00:18:01,360
and

411
00:18:06,870 --> 00:18:04,640
a man on the other end said um

412
00:18:08,549 --> 00:18:06,880
may i speak to george gaines

413
00:18:09,669 --> 00:18:08,559

and i said this is he

414

00:18:11,830 --> 00:18:09,679

he said

415

00:18:13,270 --> 00:18:11,840

is this the same george that

416

00:18:15,029 --> 00:18:13,280

lives at

417

00:18:16,710 --> 00:18:15,039

such and such an address

418

00:18:19,029 --> 00:18:16,720

i said yes it is

419

00:18:21,270 --> 00:18:19,039

and he says is this the same george who

420

00:18:24,310 --> 00:18:21,280

sent a report to the air force a few

421

00:18:26,549 --> 00:18:24,320

days ago about what you had seen

422

00:18:29,510 --> 00:18:26,559

and i took a deep breath

423

00:18:33,190 --> 00:18:29,520

and said uh yes it is

424

00:18:35,110 --> 00:18:33,200

and he says well great he said george um

425

00:18:38,150 --> 00:18:35,120

but what are you doing this morning i

426

00:18:39,750 --> 00:18:38,160

said and so i immediately said oh um

427

00:18:42,070 --> 00:18:39,760

well um

428

00:18:44,310 --> 00:18:42,080

i'm i'm going i'm going out i'm going to

429

00:18:45,990 --> 00:18:44,320

the pool to swim because i i was a

430

00:18:48,710 --> 00:18:46,000

collegiate swimmer and high school

431

00:18:50,710 --> 00:18:48,720

swimmer and so i was

432

00:18:53,669 --> 00:18:50,720

you know we're going to go to practice

433

00:18:57,750 --> 00:18:53,679

and i said i'm going to swim practice

434

00:18:58,710 --> 00:18:57,760

and he said george he said you just sit

435

00:19:01,190 --> 00:18:58,720

tight

436

00:19:04,710 --> 00:19:01,200

we'll be right over

437

00:19:07,830 --> 00:19:04,720

and i remember those words so clearly

438

00:19:10,950 --> 00:19:07,840

george you just sit tight

439

00:19:13,590 --> 00:19:10,960

we'll be right over it didn't say can we

440

00:19:15,510 --> 00:19:13,600

come by how do you do or anything we're

441

00:19:17,669 --> 00:19:15,520

coming over so

442

00:19:20,390 --> 00:19:17,679

i realized then that

443

00:19:22,710 --> 00:19:20,400

i was in a jam and i had to explain to

444

00:19:25,110 --> 00:19:22,720

my mother very quickly what had happened

445

00:19:29,029 --> 00:19:25,120

i said mother mother i said she said who

446

00:19:31,270 --> 00:19:29,039

was that i said oh it was a nice man um

447

00:19:33,029 --> 00:19:31,280

you remember the uh i said i was

448

00:19:34,950 --> 00:19:33,039

thinking about submitting a report to

449

00:19:36,549 --> 00:19:34,960

the air force she says you didn't i said

450

00:19:39,029 --> 00:19:36,559

yes i did

451

00:19:41,510 --> 00:19:39,039

and uh i said they're they're coming

452

00:19:43,750 --> 00:19:41,520

over she says oh my god she says now

453

00:19:47,510 --> 00:19:43,760

we're in trouble we're in trouble i mean

454

00:19:50,070 --> 00:19:47,520

this is 1956 and you know

455

00:19:52,390 --> 00:19:50,080

uh things were different then it was a

456

00:19:54,870 --> 00:19:52,400

different world and so

457

00:19:58,470 --> 00:19:54,880

you you didn't file reports or anything

458

00:20:00,310 --> 00:19:58,480

unless you uh had good reason and and i

459

00:20:01,909 --> 00:20:00,320

thought i had good reason

460

00:20:04,470 --> 00:20:01,919

so

461

00:20:07,190 --> 00:20:04,480

you know i told my grandmother and and

462

00:20:09,510 --> 00:20:07,200

she says oh lordy she says uh

463

00:20:11,750 --> 00:20:09,520

you're in trouble now i said well i you

464

00:20:14,149 --> 00:20:11,760

know i i told i told the truth i didn't

465

00:20:15,270 --> 00:20:14,159

make anything up it's all true it's all

466

00:20:18,070 --> 00:20:15,280

true

467

00:20:19,029 --> 00:20:18,080

and so while we were talking

468

00:20:21,190 --> 00:20:19,039

i mean

469

00:20:23,430 --> 00:20:21,200

this this couldn't have been more than

470

00:20:25,590 --> 00:20:23,440

five minutes from when i hung up maybe

471

00:20:27,510 --> 00:20:25,600

not that long my grandmother who used to

472

00:20:30,549 --> 00:20:27,520

sit in the living room looking out the

473

00:20:32,230 --> 00:20:30,559

window she says oh here they come

474

00:20:34,149 --> 00:20:32,240

and so

475

00:20:35,190 --> 00:20:34,159

my mother and i went to the door and she

476

00:20:40,350 --> 00:20:35,200

you know

477

00:20:47,110 --> 00:20:44,070

1955 or 56. i couldn't tell the exact

478

00:20:50,149 --> 00:20:47,120

model i always thought it was a 55

479

00:20:52,070 --> 00:20:50,159

white cadillac

480

00:20:54,310 --> 00:20:52,080

air conditioned

481

00:20:57,590 --> 00:20:54,320

it was absolutely spotless and i

482

00:20:59,350 --> 00:20:57,600

remember thinking why isn't it gray and

483

00:21:01,430 --> 00:20:59,360

why doesn't it have

484

00:21:04,789 --> 00:21:01,440

a military

485

00:21:07,029 --> 00:21:04,799

uh stencils on it saying u.s air force

486

00:21:09,669 --> 00:21:07,039

or u.s navy or something

487

00:21:12,149 --> 00:21:09,679

but it was a civilian car but it was a

488

00:21:14,710 --> 00:21:12,159

beautiful white cadillac

489

00:21:16,789 --> 00:21:14,720

and it was air conditioned and that was

490

00:21:19,270 --> 00:21:16,799

very unusual because we didn't have air

491

00:21:21,830 --> 00:21:19,280

conditioning in our home in florida and

492

00:21:23,510 --> 00:21:21,840

and i never knew anybody who had an

493

00:21:26,390 --> 00:21:23,520

air-conditioned car

494

00:21:30,149 --> 00:21:26,400

until uh in 1958

495

00:21:32,390 --> 00:21:30,159

so this was this was quite a rare event

496

00:21:35,029 --> 00:21:32,400

and then out of the car

497

00:21:37,750 --> 00:21:35,039

come two air force officers men who were

498

00:21:40,950 --> 00:21:37,760

dressed as air force officers who come

499

00:21:42,870 --> 00:21:40,960

up and greet me and my mother on the

500

00:21:43,990 --> 00:21:42,880

front porch

501
00:21:45,909 --> 00:21:44,000
so

502
00:21:47,110 --> 00:21:45,919
why don't i just take a quick pause and

503
00:21:49,430 --> 00:21:47,120
and say

504
00:21:51,110 --> 00:21:49,440
you know do you have any questions that

505
00:21:53,029 --> 00:21:51,120
you want to ask me

506
00:21:54,070 --> 00:21:53,039
at this point before we get into the

507
00:21:55,510 --> 00:21:54,080
interview

508
00:21:59,909 --> 00:21:55,520
uh

509
00:22:01,590 --> 00:21:59,919
kind of gone over this

510
00:22:04,230 --> 00:22:01,600
in our talk i think it was i don't know

511
00:22:07,909 --> 00:22:04,240
maybe four or four or five months ago um

512
00:22:10,470 --> 00:22:07,919
so it's almost like new coming at me um

513
00:22:12,549 --> 00:22:10,480

but uh uh i couldn't remember the

514

00:22:14,789 --> 00:22:12,559

encounter you know what what your

515

00:22:17,029 --> 00:22:14,799

sighting was to begin with but just the

516

00:22:19,350 --> 00:22:17,039

fact that um

517

00:22:21,350 --> 00:22:19,360

uh they came to see you that quickly is

518

00:22:23,669 --> 00:22:21,360

pretty pretty interesting

519

00:22:25,990 --> 00:22:23,679

well yes uh

520

00:22:29,510 --> 00:22:26,000

i mean i i didn't think think through it

521

00:22:32,070 --> 00:22:29,520

very carefully at the time uh i was just

522

00:22:33,990 --> 00:22:32,080

uh really scared that that they were

523

00:22:36,149 --> 00:22:34,000

coming to talk to me because i didn't

524

00:22:38,149 --> 00:22:36,159

know know what to expect

525

00:22:39,590 --> 00:22:38,159

but the two the two gentlemen came in

526
00:22:41,830 --> 00:22:39,600
and they showed my mother some

527
00:22:43,350 --> 00:22:41,840
identification in addition to their

528
00:22:45,590 --> 00:22:43,360
their uniforms

529
00:22:46,950 --> 00:22:45,600
and she welcomed them and said please

530
00:22:49,430 --> 00:22:46,960
please come in

531
00:22:53,190 --> 00:22:49,440
they said well we we would like to

532
00:22:54,789 --> 00:22:53,200
talk to george about what what he saw

533
00:22:58,470 --> 00:22:54,799
and and so

534
00:23:00,789 --> 00:22:58,480
the the two were it was a captain and

535
00:23:04,310 --> 00:23:00,799
a lieutenant

536
00:23:05,590 --> 00:23:04,320
and the the captain um did not have what

537
00:23:08,870 --> 00:23:05,600
i would call

538
00:23:10,950 --> 00:23:08,880

a military bearing he seemed to be

539

00:23:12,390 --> 00:23:10,960

sweating a little bit

540

00:23:15,830 --> 00:23:12,400

it was hot

541

00:23:18,149 --> 00:23:15,840

and and so he unbuttoned his blouse when

542

00:23:20,710 --> 00:23:18,159

he sat down and crossed his legs and

543

00:23:23,270 --> 00:23:20,720

made himself very much at home he just

544

00:23:25,669 --> 00:23:23,280

seemed very comfortable

545

00:23:28,230 --> 00:23:25,679

and then the lieutenant

546

00:23:30,310 --> 00:23:28,240

was just the opposite he was buttoned

547

00:23:31,909 --> 00:23:30,320

down

548

00:23:34,630 --> 00:23:31,919

he had on a

549

00:23:37,669 --> 00:23:34,640

i think what you call

550

00:23:39,990 --> 00:23:37,679

almost an eisenhower jacket as opposed

551
00:23:42,149 --> 00:23:40,000
to the the captain with the blouse you

552
00:23:45,029 --> 00:23:42,159
know it was uh very tight around the

553
00:23:46,149 --> 00:23:45,039
waist and he had a you know tie on and

554
00:23:47,190 --> 00:23:46,159
he had a

555
00:23:50,549 --> 00:23:47,200
crew cut

556
00:23:53,909 --> 00:23:50,559
dark hair with uh salt and pepper

557
00:23:56,230 --> 00:23:53,919
uh the captain uh had had longer hair

558
00:23:58,390 --> 00:23:56,240
and and just seemed more

559
00:23:59,510 --> 00:23:58,400
he seemed more like a civilian dressed

560
00:24:01,590 --> 00:23:59,520
up

561
00:24:02,950 --> 00:24:01,600
in an air force uniform

562
00:24:04,630 --> 00:24:02,960
um

563
00:24:06,149 --> 00:24:04,640

and and so

564

00:24:10,070 --> 00:24:06,159

they they began

565

00:24:12,789 --> 00:24:10,080

the the questioning in the living room

566

00:24:13,990 --> 00:24:12,799

and so the captain then asked the

567

00:24:16,390 --> 00:24:14,000

lieutenant

568

00:24:17,430 --> 00:24:16,400

to go out and you know once he we agreed

569

00:24:19,190 --> 00:24:17,440

to do it

570

00:24:21,269 --> 00:24:19,200

he sent the lieutenant out to the car

571

00:24:25,269 --> 00:24:21,279

and he opened the trunk up and brought

572

00:24:27,510 --> 00:24:25,279

all sorts of stuff in he brought in

573

00:24:31,190 --> 00:24:27,520

charts that you know were

574

00:24:33,830 --> 00:24:31,200

on like a movie screen with flip charts

575

00:24:35,029 --> 00:24:33,840

he brought in a movie screen a movie

576
00:24:37,830 --> 00:24:35,039
projector

577
00:24:41,350 --> 00:24:37,840
and what i remember most vividly was a

578
00:24:43,350 --> 00:24:41,360
reel to real woolen sack tape recorder

579
00:24:46,310 --> 00:24:43,360
where everything

580
00:24:50,630 --> 00:24:46,320
in the interview was being taped and

581
00:24:55,190 --> 00:24:50,640
that thing just ran and ran and ran

582
00:24:58,310 --> 00:24:55,200
so uh they began and i don't remember

583
00:25:01,590 --> 00:24:58,320
all of what what was said or what was

584
00:25:03,990 --> 00:25:01,600
asked but i do remember the the captain

585
00:25:07,269 --> 00:25:04,000
or the uh the lieutenant standing up

586
00:25:09,909 --> 00:25:07,279
like he was giving a military uh a

587
00:25:12,549 --> 00:25:09,919
military briefing then he had a pointer

588
00:25:15,909 --> 00:25:12,559

stick and he kept pointing you know to

589

00:25:18,230 --> 00:25:15,919

uh these these charts of the sky and and

590

00:25:22,230 --> 00:25:18,240

this and he was using a lot of technical

591

00:25:24,149 --> 00:25:22,240

language like azimuth perigee apogee and

592

00:25:26,470 --> 00:25:24,159

stuff that i really didn't was not

593

00:25:28,310 --> 00:25:26,480

familiar with and the captain would

594

00:25:30,789 --> 00:25:28,320

would kind of interpret for him he's

595

00:25:33,990 --> 00:25:30,799

okay what what the lieutenant is saying

596

00:25:36,470 --> 00:25:34,000

is is this now george uh tell me more

597

00:25:38,789 --> 00:25:36,480

about how you you saw this and they of

598

00:25:41,590 --> 00:25:38,799

course had had my report there which

599

00:25:45,269 --> 00:25:41,600

they let me look at

600

00:25:48,390 --> 00:25:45,279

um about that time i'd say probably an

601
00:25:50,549 --> 00:25:48,400
hour into it uh my mother had gotten on

602
00:25:52,789 --> 00:25:50,559
the phone and called

603
00:25:53,830 --> 00:25:52,799
the parents of the young girl who was

604
00:25:55,909 --> 00:25:53,840
with me

605
00:25:58,470 --> 00:25:55,919
and this was it turned out to be a real

606
00:25:59,430 --> 00:25:58,480
embarrassment for her because she had

607
00:26:00,870 --> 00:25:59,440
nothing

608
00:26:03,190 --> 00:26:00,880
to add

609
00:26:07,430 --> 00:26:03,200
to it now she

610
00:26:09,269 --> 00:26:07,440
she had made up um a report as well

611
00:26:12,149 --> 00:26:09,279
of what she didn't see

612
00:26:15,510 --> 00:26:12,159
and on that report she doodled and drew

613
00:26:18,789 --> 00:26:15,520

a picture of of like an alien coming out

614

00:26:20,870 --> 00:26:18,799

of a spaceship it was a cartoon like

615

00:26:22,870 --> 00:26:20,880

and so when they came up there the

616

00:26:24,310 --> 00:26:22,880

captain saw that and he just he just

617

00:26:27,110 --> 00:26:24,320

grabbed it and took it out and ran he

618

00:26:28,149 --> 00:26:27,120

said i'll take that

619

00:26:30,390 --> 00:26:28,159

so

620

00:26:33,350 --> 00:26:30,400

you know he had that she stayed around

621

00:26:35,510 --> 00:26:33,360

for about 15 minutes and and listened

622

00:26:37,909 --> 00:26:35,520

and and couldn't really add anything

623

00:26:40,310 --> 00:26:37,919

because you didn't see anything and then

624

00:26:43,110 --> 00:26:40,320

then they let asked her to to go ahead

625

00:26:45,590 --> 00:26:43,120

you know she could go back home

626
00:26:48,149 --> 00:26:45,600
so then they got out uh some films and

627
00:26:51,510 --> 00:26:48,159
showed me films now these some of the

628
00:26:54,630 --> 00:26:51,520
films i remember having seen before and

629
00:26:58,950 --> 00:26:54,640
it was like you know lights and it was

630
00:27:01,430 --> 00:26:58,960
daytime scenes of maybe four or five uh

631
00:27:02,390 --> 00:27:01,440
lights flying together or what what

632
00:27:04,549 --> 00:27:02,400
could be

633
00:27:05,830 --> 00:27:04,559
interpreted as ufos and they kept asking

634
00:27:08,149 --> 00:27:05,840
me is this what you saw you see

635
00:27:10,549 --> 00:27:08,159
something like that i said well no no

636
00:27:13,350 --> 00:27:10,559
mine mine weren't doing that it was just

637
00:27:16,630 --> 00:27:13,360
two and you know i ca i really stuck to

638
00:27:18,950 --> 00:27:16,640

my story because uh martin that that's

639

00:27:21,669 --> 00:27:18,960

the only story i had and i didn't know

640

00:27:23,510 --> 00:27:21,679

what else to do other than stick stick

641

00:27:25,510 --> 00:27:23,520

to the story

642

00:27:28,070 --> 00:27:25,520

now did so they were this is kind of

643

00:27:31,430 --> 00:27:28,080

curious they were showing you films

644

00:27:34,549 --> 00:27:31,440

yes they had films and um were there

645

00:27:36,789 --> 00:27:34,559

some really good films too of some ufos

646

00:27:40,950 --> 00:27:36,799

uh they were they were decent they were

647

00:27:43,110 --> 00:27:40,960

decent um you know of stuff

648

00:27:44,710 --> 00:27:43,120

some stuff i'd seen in in in books

649

00:27:47,669 --> 00:27:44,720

before

650

00:27:48,389 --> 00:27:47,679

or magazines that had been published

651
00:27:50,950 --> 00:27:48,399
so

652
00:27:52,070 --> 00:27:50,960
i kept thinking well i've seen all this

653
00:27:53,590 --> 00:27:52,080
before

654
00:27:55,510 --> 00:27:53,600
he said you ever seen this i said well

655
00:27:58,310 --> 00:27:55,520
i've seen it i've seen something like

656
00:27:59,750 --> 00:27:58,320
that in a magazine but some some i had

657
00:28:01,110 --> 00:27:59,760
not seen

658
00:28:04,230 --> 00:28:01,120
and

659
00:28:06,149 --> 00:28:04,240
so after we got through with the movies

660
00:28:08,630 --> 00:28:06,159
i guess it was around lunchtime well

661
00:28:11,269 --> 00:28:08,640
these guys didn't stop for lunch

662
00:28:13,510 --> 00:28:11,279
um and my mother and grandmother

663
00:28:16,630 --> 00:28:13,520

particularly my grandmother kept she was

664

00:28:18,549 --> 00:28:16,640

very nosy and kept walking into the room

665

00:28:20,310 --> 00:28:18,559

and walking out of the room and in and

666

00:28:22,789 --> 00:28:20,320

out like they she thought i was going to

667

00:28:24,870 --> 00:28:22,799

be molested or something so finally they

668

00:28:28,230 --> 00:28:24,880

told my mother they said look we we'd

669

00:28:29,669 --> 00:28:28,240

like to question george now in private

670

00:28:31,990 --> 00:28:29,679

do you have another place where we can

671

00:28:35,269 --> 00:28:32,000

go and she said yeah we have a den

672

00:28:39,190 --> 00:28:35,279

a small den we went in there and set up

673

00:28:41,430 --> 00:28:39,200

shop and they closed and locked the door

674

00:28:42,149 --> 00:28:41,440

to keep them out

675

00:28:44,789 --> 00:28:42,159

so

676

00:28:46,149 --> 00:28:44,799

the the interrogation you know and my

677

00:28:48,070 --> 00:28:46,159

grandmother said well the poor child

678

00:28:49,590 --> 00:28:48,080

hasn't eaten he said well

679

00:28:52,870 --> 00:28:49,600

we'll we'll let him have something to

680

00:28:54,070 --> 00:28:52,880

eat when we're finished you know so

681

00:28:56,710 --> 00:28:54,080

uh

682

00:28:57,750 --> 00:28:56,720

we went into the den and they had they

683

00:28:59,909 --> 00:28:57,760

brought in

684

00:29:01,909 --> 00:28:59,919

some scrapbooks what i call scrapbooks

685

00:29:03,750 --> 00:29:01,919

they were i guess notebook big big

686

00:29:06,710 --> 00:29:03,760

notebooks big ones

687

00:29:09,750 --> 00:29:06,720

and so he says okay i'm gonna show you

688

00:29:12,549 --> 00:29:09,760

some some pictures

689

00:29:16,470 --> 00:29:12,559

and so these were you know pictures of

690

00:29:18,950 --> 00:29:16,480

ufos photos photographs some sketches

691

00:29:20,710 --> 00:29:18,960

and you know oh you know it looked like

692

00:29:22,149 --> 00:29:20,720

this it looked like i said wow that's

693

00:29:23,590 --> 00:29:22,159

pretty interesting there i said no it

694

00:29:26,230 --> 00:29:23,600

didn't he said look like that no it

695

00:29:29,909 --> 00:29:26,240

didn't look like that i'm telling you it

696

00:29:31,830 --> 00:29:29,919

was just a light in the sky just a very

697

00:29:32,789 --> 00:29:31,840

bright light in the sky and it was

698

00:29:36,230 --> 00:29:32,799

moving

699

00:29:39,190 --> 00:29:36,240

slow and then it moved really fast so it

700

00:29:41,830 --> 00:29:39,200

went on and on and you know it went

701
00:29:43,029 --> 00:29:41,840
through several of these uh

702
00:29:45,350 --> 00:29:43,039
books

703
00:29:47,350 --> 00:29:45,360
and finally there was another book there

704
00:29:48,950 --> 00:29:47,360
and i figured once we get through the

705
00:29:51,510 --> 00:29:48,960
last book

706
00:29:52,470 --> 00:29:51,520
these guys will leave because i was

707
00:29:56,630 --> 00:29:52,480
really

708
00:29:58,710 --> 00:29:56,640
you know telling the same story over and

709
00:30:01,350 --> 00:29:58,720
over again and then they would stop me

710
00:30:05,350 --> 00:30:01,360
and say okay george let's go back tell

711
00:30:08,149 --> 00:30:05,360
me from the very beginning what you saw

712
00:30:09,669 --> 00:30:08,159
and so they must have had me repeat my

713
00:30:12,710 --> 00:30:09,679

story

714

00:30:14,230 --> 00:30:12,720

four or five times during this whole

715

00:30:15,669 --> 00:30:14,240

episode do you think they were trying to

716

00:30:16,870 --> 00:30:15,679

see if you would trip up a little or

717

00:30:18,870 --> 00:30:16,880

something

718

00:30:20,870 --> 00:30:18,880

yeah i think they they just you know

719

00:30:21,590 --> 00:30:20,880

we're you know it's like the cops i mean

720

00:30:23,750 --> 00:30:21,600

they're

721

00:30:27,590 --> 00:30:23,760

trying to see you know as you tell the

722

00:30:30,870 --> 00:30:27,600

same story over and over again and and

723

00:30:32,789 --> 00:30:30,880

so finally then the captain began to

724

00:30:37,510 --> 00:30:32,799

make suggestions

725

00:30:39,590 --> 00:30:37,520

and um he said um now when the craft got

726
00:30:41,510 --> 00:30:39,600
close

727
00:30:43,110 --> 00:30:41,520
could you see any

728
00:30:44,950 --> 00:30:43,120
portholes

729
00:30:47,029 --> 00:30:44,960
i said

730
00:30:49,510 --> 00:30:47,039
i don't know how close it got

731
00:30:52,470 --> 00:30:49,520
but it wasn't close enough that i could

732
00:30:53,990 --> 00:30:52,480
see any detail

733
00:30:57,990 --> 00:30:54,000
he says okay

734
00:31:00,710 --> 00:30:58,000
so when the craft uh got close

735
00:31:02,950 --> 00:31:00,720
could you see anyone anybody looking out

736
00:31:06,310 --> 00:31:02,960
of a porthole i said

737
00:31:07,750 --> 00:31:06,320
i just said no it it didn't get that

738
00:31:09,269 --> 00:31:07,760

close

739

00:31:11,430 --> 00:31:09,279

and then you know go on and then

740

00:31:13,350 --> 00:31:11,440

he'd come back said now george when the

741

00:31:16,470 --> 00:31:13,360

craft landed

742

00:31:19,750 --> 00:31:16,480

um did did a door open i said the craft

743

00:31:21,590 --> 00:31:19,760

didn't land i i wish it had

744

00:31:24,470 --> 00:31:21,600

you know i wish i could say it did but

745

00:31:26,789 --> 00:31:24,480

it didn't it just flew off and it flew

746

00:31:27,590 --> 00:31:26,799

off at a very high rate of speed

747

00:31:30,230 --> 00:31:27,600

so

748

00:31:33,110 --> 00:31:30,240

you know he went through all this highly

749

00:31:35,750 --> 00:31:33,120

suggestive questioning

750

00:31:38,070 --> 00:31:35,760

and and finally and i said you know he's

751
00:31:40,630 --> 00:31:38,080
got to show me this last book i said uh

752
00:31:44,070 --> 00:31:40,640
are you going to show me what's in

753
00:31:46,070 --> 00:31:44,080
the last scrapbook

754
00:31:49,350 --> 00:31:46,080
he said well george you said you didn't

755
00:31:50,789 --> 00:31:49,360
see anybody right i said right i i

756
00:31:54,070 --> 00:31:50,799
didn't

757
00:31:56,630 --> 00:31:54,080
uh he said well he says i'm

758
00:31:58,070 --> 00:31:56,640
i'm not so sure you didn't

759
00:31:59,190 --> 00:31:58,080
i said

760
00:32:01,750 --> 00:31:59,200
i didn't

761
00:32:03,509 --> 00:32:01,760
and he says well i'll show you what's in

762
00:32:06,310 --> 00:32:03,519
here anyhow

763
00:32:09,430 --> 00:32:06,320

and so when we went through this book

764

00:32:11,830 --> 00:32:09,440

this book was filled with pictures and

765

00:32:13,750 --> 00:32:11,840

sketches of aliens

766

00:32:15,990 --> 00:32:13,760

all kinds i mean

767

00:32:17,830 --> 00:32:16,000

ridiculous looking some i'd seen in

768

00:32:19,669 --> 00:32:17,840

comic books i said i've seen that that's

769

00:32:23,190 --> 00:32:19,679

an i've seen that in a comic book it's

770

00:32:25,430 --> 00:32:23,200

okay next one and then then he showed me

771

00:32:27,029 --> 00:32:25,440

a picture i remember it very very

772

00:32:30,710 --> 00:32:27,039

distinctly because my eyes must have

773

00:32:34,389 --> 00:32:30,720

just lit up like a cheap pinball machine

774

00:32:37,669 --> 00:32:34,399

was an uh look like an alien laying on

775

00:32:38,870 --> 00:32:37,679

an examining table

776

00:32:40,789 --> 00:32:38,880

kind of like

777

00:32:42,310 --> 00:32:40,799

i guess when when i saw the alien

778

00:32:44,870 --> 00:32:42,320

autopsy

779

00:32:48,389 --> 00:32:44,880

you know movie i said whoa that looks a

780

00:32:50,389 --> 00:32:48,399

lot like what the captain showed me

781

00:32:53,110 --> 00:32:50,399

i mean i was probably

782

00:32:55,110 --> 00:32:53,120

40 or 50 years old when i saw that for

783

00:32:56,630 --> 00:32:55,120

the first time and i said well i've seen

784

00:32:59,909 --> 00:32:56,640

that before so

785

00:33:01,909 --> 00:32:59,919

uh i asked him i said well is that real

786

00:33:03,509 --> 00:33:01,919

and he looked at me and kind of smiled

787

00:33:05,990 --> 00:33:03,519

he said does it look real to you i said

788

00:33:07,029 --> 00:33:06,000

it looks real to me

789

00:33:09,509 --> 00:33:07,039

is it

790

00:33:11,110 --> 00:33:09,519

and he just he just wouldn't answer

791

00:33:14,630 --> 00:33:11,120

and then then we got to the end of the

792

00:33:15,669 --> 00:33:14,640

book and um he says okay george we're

793

00:33:17,990 --> 00:33:15,679

done

794

00:33:19,990 --> 00:33:18,000

thank you so much thank my mother and it

795

00:33:23,190 --> 00:33:20,000

was about three o'clock three o'clock in

796

00:33:27,990 --> 00:33:23,200

the afternoon and he and the lieutenant

797

00:33:33,269 --> 00:33:30,230

now um

798

00:33:35,110 --> 00:33:33,279

a lot of reconstruction has gone on

799

00:33:39,110 --> 00:33:35,120

since then

800

00:33:43,990 --> 00:33:41,830

the one thing that did what said it as

801
00:33:45,350 --> 00:33:44,000
they were leaving my mother asked asked

802
00:33:48,230 --> 00:33:45,360
the captain

803
00:33:50,710 --> 00:33:48,240
did do you all investigate every

804
00:33:52,789 --> 00:33:50,720
sighting from a 12 year old boy

805
00:33:56,070 --> 00:33:52,799
you must be getting hundreds of these he

806
00:33:58,789 --> 00:33:56,080
says ma'am he says we get thousands of

807
00:34:00,789 --> 00:33:58,799
these reports he said but

808
00:34:03,110 --> 00:34:00,799
you know you this report was very

809
00:34:05,590 --> 00:34:03,120
interesting to us uh we wanted to talk

810
00:34:07,509 --> 00:34:05,600
to george because he was very thorough

811
00:34:09,430 --> 00:34:07,519
in his documentation we believe every

812
00:34:12,149 --> 00:34:09,440
word he said

813
00:34:15,829 --> 00:34:12,159

and to be honest we had we had some

814

00:34:17,270 --> 00:34:15,839

corroborating uh information from

815

00:34:19,829 --> 00:34:17,280

other sources

816

00:34:22,310 --> 00:34:19,839

to corroborate the sighting so we wanted

817

00:34:24,149 --> 00:34:22,320

to hear his story

818

00:34:26,310 --> 00:34:24,159

and

819

00:34:27,190 --> 00:34:26,320

he said the only thing i would ask you

820

00:34:30,629 --> 00:34:27,200

is

821

00:34:33,190 --> 00:34:30,639

i can't order you he said but i would

822

00:34:35,750 --> 00:34:33,200

advise you strongly never to discuss

823

00:34:37,510 --> 00:34:35,760

this with anyone

824

00:34:39,190 --> 00:34:37,520

you know did i never talk

825

00:34:40,550 --> 00:34:39,200

did he actually say this to you or was

826

00:34:43,270 --> 00:34:40,560

that to your mother

827

00:34:45,669 --> 00:34:43,280

it was to my mother but i heard it and

828

00:34:48,470 --> 00:34:45,679

you know and it was spoken really to

829

00:34:50,869 --> 00:34:48,480

both of us and so i never discussed it

830

00:34:52,869 --> 00:34:50,879

until i was probably

831

00:34:54,310 --> 00:34:52,879

in my late 40s

832

00:34:57,510 --> 00:34:54,320

really wow

833

00:34:59,109 --> 00:34:57,520

yeah i'm silent for

834

00:35:03,349 --> 00:34:59,119

over 30 years

835

00:35:05,190 --> 00:35:03,359

before i said anything about it wow

836

00:35:07,349 --> 00:35:05,200

and uh

837

00:35:09,270 --> 00:35:07,359

one of the things we left out you're

838

00:35:11,670 --> 00:35:09,280

probably going to bring it up is who one

839

00:35:12,870 --> 00:35:11,680

of the gentlemen were

840

00:35:14,150 --> 00:35:12,880

that's right

841

00:35:16,950 --> 00:35:14,160

um

842

00:35:18,230 --> 00:35:16,960

i didn't know who these guys were and

843

00:35:21,670 --> 00:35:18,240

um

844

00:35:25,910 --> 00:35:21,680

in in the the late night uh

845

00:35:27,990 --> 00:35:25,920

in the late 19 now in the late 1980s

846

00:35:30,950 --> 00:35:28,000

early 1990s

847

00:35:32,950 --> 00:35:30,960

uh of course we had the uh famous

848

00:35:35,510 --> 00:35:32,960

gulf breeze sightings in in the

849

00:35:36,950 --> 00:35:35,520

pensacola area

850

00:35:39,270 --> 00:35:36,960

and um

851
00:35:42,310 --> 00:35:39,280
my oldest daughter uh

852
00:35:44,550 --> 00:35:42,320
was very very interested in in this and

853
00:35:47,109 --> 00:35:44,560
she became an active member

854
00:35:48,470 --> 00:35:47,119
of uh the mufon chapter there in

855
00:35:51,109 --> 00:35:48,480
pensacola

856
00:35:52,630 --> 00:35:51,119
and she begged me to come to a meeting

857
00:35:54,790 --> 00:35:52,640
and tell the story and i said beth i'm

858
00:35:55,750 --> 00:35:54,800
not going to do it i'm just not going to

859
00:35:58,470 --> 00:35:55,760
do it

860
00:36:00,230 --> 00:35:58,480
and so finally it was at christmas time

861
00:36:02,550 --> 00:36:00,240
and she said would you at least come to

862
00:36:04,870 --> 00:36:02,560
the christmas party they're having a

863
00:36:06,630 --> 00:36:04,880

nice christmas party so i went to the

864

00:36:09,030 --> 00:36:06,640

party and it was really really a nice

865

00:36:11,030 --> 00:36:09,040

affair a lot of people were there

866

00:36:13,349 --> 00:36:11,040

and

867

00:36:15,990 --> 00:36:13,359

one of the guys i knew um

868

00:36:17,589 --> 00:36:16,000

asked me about it she said he said your

869

00:36:18,870 --> 00:36:17,599

daughter told me something about the

870

00:36:20,069 --> 00:36:18,880

sighting

871

00:36:22,470 --> 00:36:20,079

i said yeah he said there are a couple

872

00:36:24,550 --> 00:36:22,480

of air force guys here who would really

873

00:36:27,589 --> 00:36:24,560

like to meet you and talk to you so

874

00:36:29,670 --> 00:36:27,599

these guys uh were probably

875

00:36:31,990 --> 00:36:29,680

20 years older than me i guess at the

876

00:36:35,190 --> 00:36:32,000

time so they must have been

877

00:36:37,430 --> 00:36:35,200

uh probably late 60s early 70s

878

00:36:39,510 --> 00:36:37,440

and and so i learned a great deal about

879

00:36:40,870 --> 00:36:39,520

them and i told them the story they said

880

00:36:43,910 --> 00:36:40,880

well

881

00:36:46,630 --> 00:36:43,920

number one eglin air force base had no

882

00:36:49,190 --> 00:36:46,640

investigating authority these guys did

883

00:36:50,310 --> 00:36:49,200

not come from from eglin

884

00:36:52,550 --> 00:36:50,320

number two

885

00:36:55,430 --> 00:36:52,560

they most likely came down from

886

00:36:57,030 --> 00:36:55,440

wright-patterson air force base in ohio

887

00:37:00,230 --> 00:36:57,040

because they were the primary

888

00:37:05,670 --> 00:37:03,030

and number three they may not even have

889

00:37:07,349 --> 00:37:05,680

been air force they may have been cia or

890

00:37:09,670 --> 00:37:07,359

nsa

891

00:37:12,230 --> 00:37:09,680

because a lot of

892

00:37:13,430 --> 00:37:12,240

the investigators were wearing military

893

00:37:15,510 --> 00:37:13,440

uniforms

894

00:37:18,550 --> 00:37:15,520

during these investigations that that

895

00:37:20,069 --> 00:37:18,560

went on in project blue book in in the

896

00:37:21,190 --> 00:37:20,079

later years

897

00:37:23,510 --> 00:37:21,200

so

898

00:37:24,790 --> 00:37:23,520

all of that is partially true

899

00:37:27,190 --> 00:37:24,800

because

900

00:37:29,910 --> 00:37:27,200

i found out through the internet by

901
00:37:33,349 --> 00:37:29,920
looking at pictures when i saw the

902
00:37:36,870 --> 00:37:33,359
picture of captain edward rupault

903
00:37:39,430 --> 00:37:36,880
who was the head of blue book until 1953

904
00:37:41,589 --> 00:37:39,440
i said there he is

905
00:37:44,390 --> 00:37:41,599
that's who that's who came to see me i

906
00:37:48,390 --> 00:37:44,400
would i would know him anywhere

907
00:37:52,550 --> 00:37:48,400
slightly pudgy chubby cheeks um

908
00:37:55,589 --> 00:37:52,560
just uh just a charming individual to

909
00:37:59,270 --> 00:37:55,599
talk talk to and and he must have been a

910
00:38:01,349 --> 00:37:59,280
special guy because for for a captain uh

911
00:38:04,550 --> 00:38:01,359
somebody with the rank of captain to

912
00:38:07,190 --> 00:38:04,560
have that kind of authority uh he must

913
00:38:09,910 --> 00:38:07,200

have been just a remarkable

914

00:38:12,710 --> 00:38:09,920

uh officer i mean he had a distinguished

915

00:38:13,750 --> 00:38:12,720

combat record in in korea and so forth

916

00:38:15,589 --> 00:38:13,760

and

917

00:38:18,630 --> 00:38:15,599

uh you know distinguished himself in

918

00:38:21,670 --> 00:38:18,640

every way but but he he was evidently a

919

00:38:24,950 --> 00:38:21,680

superb manager and that's why he was

920

00:38:29,030 --> 00:38:24,960

given the blue book assignment now

921

00:38:31,270 --> 00:38:29,040

he had retired in 1953

922

00:38:32,470 --> 00:38:31,280

he was no longer in the air force he was

923

00:38:34,870 --> 00:38:32,480

out

924

00:38:38,710 --> 00:38:34,880

and he took a job as a consulting

925

00:38:41,030 --> 00:38:38,720

engineer aeronautical engineer

926

00:38:43,270 --> 00:38:41,040

with north american aviation out in

927

00:38:46,870 --> 00:38:43,280

california and was living

928

00:38:48,230 --> 00:38:46,880

in california at the time in 1956

929

00:38:50,630 --> 00:38:48,240

so do you think they flew him all the

930

00:38:52,310 --> 00:38:50,640

way to florida to talk to you

931

00:38:57,430 --> 00:38:52,320

yes

932

00:38:58,230 --> 00:38:57,440

amazing he um he collaborated with blue

933

00:39:01,349 --> 00:38:58,240

book

934

00:39:03,510 --> 00:39:01,359

after he left and i don't know how many

935

00:39:06,310 --> 00:39:03,520

investigations he did

936

00:39:10,310 --> 00:39:06,320

but now his book was first published in

937

00:39:13,510 --> 00:39:10,320

august of 1956. so

938

00:39:16,150 --> 00:39:13,520

he was already working on a revision

939

00:39:18,390 --> 00:39:16,160

and you know he may have wanted this

940

00:39:19,270 --> 00:39:18,400

material for his revision

941

00:39:21,349 --> 00:39:19,280

uh

942

00:39:23,750 --> 00:39:21,359

how he found out about the sighting i'm

943

00:39:26,790 --> 00:39:23,760

sure that you know he was in regular

944

00:39:29,670 --> 00:39:26,800

contact with the blue book staff the

945

00:39:31,510 --> 00:39:29,680

lieutenant turned out to be a lieutenant

946

00:39:34,069 --> 00:39:31,520

robert olson

947

00:39:36,550 --> 00:39:34,079

i don't know if olson had retired or not

948

00:39:37,990 --> 00:39:36,560

he was a little bit younger

949

00:39:40,310 --> 00:39:38,000

but

950

00:39:41,349 --> 00:39:40,320

i found his photograph on the internet

951
00:39:42,950 --> 00:39:41,359
in

952
00:39:44,230 --> 00:39:42,960
with with ruffled

953
00:39:45,990 --> 00:39:44,240
and

954
00:39:47,910 --> 00:39:46,000
they were there together looking at some

955
00:39:51,589 --> 00:39:47,920
charts and i said whoa there's the

956
00:39:54,470 --> 00:39:51,599
second guy i know him anywhere so

957
00:39:56,950 --> 00:39:54,480
i only found out their identities uh

958
00:39:59,829 --> 00:39:56,960
perhaps six months ago when i was doing

959
00:40:01,349 --> 00:39:59,839
this research and i was thrilled to to

960
00:40:03,349 --> 00:40:01,359
do this because

961
00:40:04,950 --> 00:40:03,359
you know i always wondered who were

962
00:40:09,589 --> 00:40:04,960
these guys

963
00:40:13,109 --> 00:40:09,599

came to see me now maybe

964

00:40:15,589 --> 00:40:13,119

maybe rupaul was in wright-patterson

965

00:40:17,990 --> 00:40:15,599

on an assignment when something happened

966

00:40:21,270 --> 00:40:18,000

when he got the report and decided to

967

00:40:22,710 --> 00:40:21,280

fly down to pensacola

968

00:40:24,630 --> 00:40:22,720

but they

969

00:40:28,470 --> 00:40:24,640

they didn't drive over i mean they they

970

00:40:30,630 --> 00:40:28,480

probably flew into nas pensacola and uh

971

00:40:32,150 --> 00:40:30,640

got the rental car and from an admiral

972

00:40:35,750 --> 00:40:32,160

or something and

973

00:40:37,750 --> 00:40:35,760

uh came on out came on out to see me

974

00:40:39,990 --> 00:40:37,760

but

975

00:40:42,470 --> 00:40:40,000

captain rupault

976
00:40:44,870 --> 00:40:42,480
had suffered a heart attack

977
00:40:45,670 --> 00:40:44,880
earlier that year

978
00:40:46,790 --> 00:40:45,680
and

979
00:40:48,390 --> 00:40:46,800
um

980
00:40:49,990 --> 00:40:48,400
i suspect that

981
00:40:52,069 --> 00:40:50,000
to me he looked

982
00:40:55,750 --> 00:40:52,079
he just looked uncomfortable like he was

983
00:40:57,829 --> 00:40:55,760
sweating and and and he uh he never went

984
00:40:59,589 --> 00:40:57,839
out to the car to bring anything in he

985
00:41:02,470 --> 00:40:59,599
just stayed in a chair

986
00:41:05,430 --> 00:41:02,480
the whole time and and olson went out

987
00:41:06,870 --> 00:41:05,440
and and got everything and brought it in

988
00:41:09,190 --> 00:41:06,880

of course he was the lower ranking

989

00:41:12,309 --> 00:41:09,200

officer and and i guess that would

990

00:41:14,069 --> 00:41:12,319

explain it but it seemed that he was um

991

00:41:15,589 --> 00:41:14,079

a bit fatigued

992

00:41:18,710 --> 00:41:15,599

and uh

993

00:41:21,750 --> 00:41:18,720

then of course we we know tragically uh

994

00:41:24,550 --> 00:41:21,760

captain ropelt died of a heart attack in

995

00:41:27,589 --> 00:41:24,560

in 1960.

996

00:41:30,710 --> 00:41:27,599

his wife lived out in california

997

00:41:32,430 --> 00:41:30,720

i believe she passed away

998

00:41:35,910 --> 00:41:32,440

uh the late

999

00:41:38,710 --> 00:41:35,920

1990s or right around 2000

1000

00:41:41,670 --> 00:41:38,720

uh captain ropeld had a brother

1001
00:41:46,309 --> 00:41:41,680
who lived in the sarasota area not far

1002
00:41:49,750 --> 00:41:46,319
from me but he passed i believe in 2010.

1003
00:41:52,630 --> 00:41:51,349
edward ruppelt

1004
00:41:54,710 --> 00:41:52,640
was

1005
00:41:56,390 --> 00:41:54,720
one heck of a fine

1006
00:41:59,349 --> 00:41:56,400
officer

1007
00:42:03,990 --> 00:41:59,359
outstanding career

1008
00:42:06,470 --> 00:42:04,000
raised in uh i believe in in nebraska

1009
00:42:09,030 --> 00:42:06,480
or iowa somewhere in in the corn belt

1010
00:42:10,470 --> 00:42:09,040
area and just

1011
00:42:13,270 --> 00:42:10,480
was just uh

1012
00:42:17,910 --> 00:42:13,280
an outstanding uh young man and

1013
00:42:21,670 --> 00:42:19,750

you know when you read about him you

1014

00:42:23,270 --> 00:42:21,680

can't help but admire him and and i

1015

00:42:24,630 --> 00:42:23,280

certainly

1016

00:42:27,030 --> 00:42:24,640

enjoyed my

1017

00:42:30,710 --> 00:42:27,040

seven or eight hours of uh

1018

00:42:34,470 --> 00:42:30,720

uh working with him on on this on this

1019

00:42:37,910 --> 00:42:34,480

little project that i created

1020

00:42:41,430 --> 00:42:37,920

he was a total gentleman

1021

00:42:43,430 --> 00:42:41,440

and and and we developed uh really an

1022

00:42:46,150 --> 00:42:43,440

excellent rapport

1023

00:42:49,270 --> 00:42:46,160

during that during that time

1024

00:42:51,589 --> 00:42:49,280

captain or lieutenant olsen

1025

00:42:54,230 --> 00:42:51,599

was always in the background so i never

1026

00:42:57,349 --> 00:42:54,240

had much of a chance to

1027

00:42:59,910 --> 00:42:57,359

develop a relationship with him

1028

00:43:00,950 --> 00:42:59,920

but but with ripple it was uh it was

1029

00:43:03,750 --> 00:43:00,960

special

1030

00:43:06,069 --> 00:43:03,760

and and like i said one the minute i saw

1031

00:43:08,150 --> 00:43:06,079

his picture on the internet

1032

00:43:10,630 --> 00:43:08,160

i i didn't know who it was that that's

1033

00:43:13,109 --> 00:43:10,640

the guy there he is and then i did the

1034

00:43:17,990 --> 00:43:13,119

background research on him

1035

00:43:21,750 --> 00:43:20,550

is like one of the the uh according to

1036

00:43:23,030 --> 00:43:21,760

alejandro

1037

00:43:25,670 --> 00:43:23,040

rojas

1038

00:43:27,829 --> 00:43:25,680

who was just on with the news

1039

00:43:29,589 --> 00:43:27,839

he thinks it's the best book on ufo's

1040

00:43:32,790 --> 00:43:29,599

ever written

1041

00:43:37,030 --> 00:43:32,800

i i would say uh it certainly was uh he

1042

00:43:39,349 --> 00:43:37,040

was amazingly forthcoming in the book

1043

00:43:41,990 --> 00:43:39,359

i mean he

1044

00:43:43,430 --> 00:43:42,000

he didn't it was not an effort to debunk

1045

00:43:46,230 --> 00:43:43,440

at all

1046

00:43:48,390 --> 00:43:46,240

it was a very open-minded objective look

1047

00:43:50,470 --> 00:43:48,400

at it

1048

00:43:53,109 --> 00:43:50,480

and he went into

1049

00:43:56,790 --> 00:43:53,119

a great deal to report on on some of the

1050

00:43:58,790 --> 00:43:56,800

investigations that they had done

1051
00:44:01,430 --> 00:43:58,800
however

1052
00:44:04,710 --> 00:44:01,440
the word got out

1053
00:44:06,069 --> 00:44:04,720
through channels that the

1054
00:44:07,589 --> 00:44:06,079
the government

1055
00:44:09,990 --> 00:44:07,599
or the air force

1056
00:44:12,230 --> 00:44:10,000
was not pleased with the book at first

1057
00:44:15,190 --> 00:44:12,240
they you know said yeah yeah it's a very

1058
00:44:17,829 --> 00:44:15,200
good book and all that but back channel

1059
00:44:19,750 --> 00:44:17,839
information was delivered to rupaul that

1060
00:44:21,750 --> 00:44:19,760
it was not

1061
00:44:25,190 --> 00:44:21,760
something they were happy with and they

1062
00:44:29,109 --> 00:44:25,200
wanted him to put out a revision

1063
00:44:29,910 --> 00:44:29,119

and uh and so the revised edition came

1064

00:44:33,910 --> 00:44:29,920

out

1065

00:44:37,030 --> 00:44:33,920

later

1066

00:44:37,910 --> 00:44:37,040

and in the revised edition uh

1067

00:44:40,550 --> 00:44:37,920

he

1068

00:44:41,990 --> 00:44:40,560

took a different view

1069

00:44:45,670 --> 00:44:42,000

uh he

1070

00:44:50,630 --> 00:44:47,510

it was just one section at the end where

1071

00:44:52,870 --> 00:44:50,640

he just kind of said well it it's just

1072

00:44:55,430 --> 00:44:52,880

all imagination

1073

00:45:01,430 --> 00:44:59,430

then he died in in 60. now

1074

00:45:03,430 --> 00:45:01,440

there's been you know stuff on the

1075

00:45:05,670 --> 00:45:03,440

internet some people that knew him and

1076

00:45:07,349 --> 00:45:05,680

lived there said that one

1077

00:45:10,309 --> 00:45:07,359

one woman

1078

00:45:12,870 --> 00:45:10,319

i think she may still be alive she was

1079

00:45:16,150 --> 00:45:12,880

95 a couple years ago

1080

00:45:19,109 --> 00:45:16,160

said that she was a neighbor of theirs

1081

00:45:19,990 --> 00:45:19,119

and that her husband and ed ripolt

1082

00:45:22,790 --> 00:45:20,000

uh

1083

00:45:23,589 --> 00:45:22,800

rode to work together every day

1084

00:45:25,589 --> 00:45:23,599

and

1085

00:45:27,990 --> 00:45:25,599

what their work was she said she didn't

1086

00:45:30,150 --> 00:45:28,000

know because they never ever discussed

1087

00:45:33,030 --> 00:45:30,160

it she said but

1088

00:45:34,309 --> 00:45:33,040

she always believed in her husband

1089

00:45:38,710 --> 00:45:34,319

believed

1090

00:45:41,510 --> 00:45:40,230

murdered

1091

00:45:44,829 --> 00:45:41,520

really and

1092

00:45:47,589 --> 00:45:44,839

he did not die of natural

1093

00:45:49,109 --> 00:45:47,599

causes well you said earlier he had a

1094

00:45:51,270 --> 00:45:49,119

heart attack

1095

00:45:54,230 --> 00:45:51,280

yes

1096

00:45:55,510 --> 00:45:54,240

yeah had the heart attack in 56

1097

00:45:57,030 --> 00:45:55,520

and then um

1098

00:45:59,750 --> 00:45:57,040

fatal heart attack

1099

00:46:03,109 --> 00:45:59,760

or whatever in in 60.

1100

00:46:04,870 --> 00:46:03,119

37 years old so he was 32 years old when

1101
00:46:06,950 --> 00:46:04,880
he had his first heart attack which is

1102
00:46:12,150 --> 00:46:06,960
very young

1103
00:46:14,950 --> 00:46:12,160
wow amazing um so

1104
00:46:16,630 --> 00:46:14,960
brother his brother passed away

1105
00:46:18,230 --> 00:46:16,640
he was i think his slightly younger

1106
00:46:22,630 --> 00:46:18,240
brother i think he was well

1107
00:46:24,630 --> 00:46:22,640
in his upper 80s 87 yeah so it's just uh

1108
00:46:26,829 --> 00:46:24,640
uh there's longevity in his family but

1109
00:46:30,950 --> 00:46:26,839
it didn't happen with him

1110
00:46:34,630 --> 00:46:30,960
um so uh have you

1111
00:46:37,910 --> 00:46:34,640
uh now was this case uh part of let's

1112
00:46:40,230 --> 00:46:37,920
see was it uh grunt project um

1113
00:46:43,270 --> 00:46:40,240

what am i thinking of uh it's in blue

1114

00:46:44,950 --> 00:46:43,280

book it is in blue book this case is yes

1115

00:46:47,270 --> 00:46:44,960

yes it is now

1116

00:46:48,069 --> 00:46:47,280

interestingly enough about five years

1117

00:46:49,349 --> 00:46:48,079

ago

1118

00:46:51,510 --> 00:46:49,359

when

1119

00:46:53,670 --> 00:46:51,520

i i had attempted to

1120

00:46:56,550 --> 00:46:53,680

go up to montgomery alabama where they

1121

00:46:58,950 --> 00:46:56,560

had the archives and

1122

00:47:01,670 --> 00:46:58,960

when i finally got somebody that could

1123

00:47:03,910 --> 00:47:01,680

talk they said oh well that's all now in

1124

00:47:06,710 --> 00:47:03,920

washington d.c

1125

00:47:08,069 --> 00:47:06,720

i said oh great so i gave up on that but

1126

00:47:10,309 --> 00:47:08,079

then i

1127

00:47:13,430 --> 00:47:10,319

somehow i found out that the archives

1128

00:47:15,670 --> 00:47:13,440

were now online and i found

1129

00:47:18,550 --> 00:47:15,680

the what's called the i'm not sure what

1130

00:47:21,589 --> 00:47:18,560

the air force nomenclature is but it's

1131

00:47:23,510 --> 00:47:21,599

one zero zero seven three that's the

1132

00:47:27,030 --> 00:47:23,520

form number

1133

00:47:29,910 --> 00:47:27,040

i guess they call it 10 0 73

1134

00:47:31,510 --> 00:47:29,920

all the reports are filed on that form

1135

00:47:34,309 --> 00:47:31,520

number

1136

00:47:37,430 --> 00:47:34,319

i actually found that and i wish that i

1137

00:47:40,309 --> 00:47:37,440

had made a copy of it but i didn't

1138

00:47:42,790 --> 00:47:40,319

um i found it and read read the the

1139

00:47:45,510 --> 00:47:42,800

report it was a brief synopsis but there

1140

00:47:46,630 --> 00:47:45,520

were no field notes or anything else

1141

00:47:49,270 --> 00:47:46,640

attached

1142

00:47:50,549 --> 00:47:49,280

and the conclusion was that i had

1143

00:47:52,950 --> 00:47:50,559

witnessed

1144

00:47:53,829 --> 00:47:52,960

uh it didn't give my name but it said

1145

00:47:59,109 --> 00:47:53,839

you know

1146

00:48:02,470 --> 00:47:59,119

blah blah pensacola

1147

00:48:03,990 --> 00:48:02,480

that i had witnessed a mid-air refueling

1148

00:48:05,430 --> 00:48:04,000

operation

1149

00:48:08,150 --> 00:48:05,440

i thought that was a pretty pretty

1150

00:48:09,589 --> 00:48:08,160

clever way of of explaining it and and

1151
00:48:14,069 --> 00:48:09,599
that would have that would have worked

1152
00:48:16,390 --> 00:48:14,079
fine except when the two separated um

1153
00:48:17,670 --> 00:48:16,400
they don't do that um

1154
00:48:20,549 --> 00:48:17,680
so

1155
00:48:23,270 --> 00:48:20,559
uh that was the that was the explanation

1156
00:48:25,109 --> 00:48:23,280
but but no field notes were attached

1157
00:48:27,510 --> 00:48:25,119
since that time i've gone back to the

1158
00:48:30,230 --> 00:48:27,520
blue back to blue book archives and i

1159
00:48:33,430 --> 00:48:30,240
have searched exhaustively

1160
00:48:34,470 --> 00:48:33,440
and all i can find is a reference to the

1161
00:48:37,670 --> 00:48:34,480
date

1162
00:48:40,230 --> 00:48:37,680
a reference to um

1163
00:48:42,870 --> 00:48:40,240

just that there was a sighting and

1164

00:48:47,670 --> 00:48:42,880

in pensacola florida that date

1165

00:48:53,430 --> 00:48:49,190

missing

1166

00:48:55,190 --> 00:48:53,440

how about that

1167

00:48:57,589 --> 00:48:55,200

so you actually saw it at one time and

1168

00:49:00,390 --> 00:48:57,599

then it's just it's gone

1169

00:49:02,870 --> 00:49:00,400

as god as my witness i saw it and and

1170

00:49:04,870 --> 00:49:02,880

showed it to my wife and and and and

1171

00:49:06,870 --> 00:49:04,880

kids they all they all saw it we all saw

1172

00:49:07,990 --> 00:49:06,880

it read it together i said well that's

1173

00:49:09,510 --> 00:49:08,000

kind of a

1174

00:49:10,870 --> 00:49:09,520

downer

1175

00:49:12,150 --> 00:49:10,880

because

1176
00:49:14,390 --> 00:49:12,160
you know at least they could have said

1177
00:49:16,470 --> 00:49:14,400
it was unexplained but no i mean that

1178
00:49:17,829 --> 00:49:16,480
that was the explanation

1179
00:49:20,069 --> 00:49:17,839
um

1180
00:49:22,230 --> 00:49:20,079
which i guess is plausible and they said

1181
00:49:25,190 --> 00:49:22,240
that it was uh uh

1182
00:49:27,670 --> 00:49:25,200
the the refueling was over tyndall air

1183
00:49:33,829 --> 00:49:27,680
force base in panama city which was

1184
00:49:38,950 --> 00:49:35,510
it's pretty far away

1185
00:49:41,349 --> 00:49:38,960
to see lights pretty pretty during close

1186
00:49:46,870 --> 00:49:44,470
wow evidently they you know they had

1187
00:49:48,870 --> 00:49:46,880
seen something they'd i don't know

1188
00:49:50,309 --> 00:49:48,880

whether it was radar

1189

00:49:52,069 --> 00:49:50,319

visual

1190

00:49:55,109 --> 00:49:52,079

uh civilian

1191

00:49:57,990 --> 00:49:55,119

military sighting but somebody had seen

1192

00:49:59,510 --> 00:49:58,000

something that really really tweaked

1193

00:50:01,190 --> 00:49:59,520

their interest

1194

00:50:03,670 --> 00:50:01,200

um

1195

00:50:06,309 --> 00:50:05,109

you know i've talked to

1196

00:50:09,670 --> 00:50:06,319

you know some

1197

00:50:12,790 --> 00:50:09,680

some experts in back in the

1198

00:50:14,710 --> 00:50:12,800

90s guys that are you know a part of the

1199

00:50:17,190 --> 00:50:14,720

regular talk show

1200

00:50:19,190 --> 00:50:17,200

group and they basically say well you

1201
00:50:21,349 --> 00:50:19,200
know your sighting is

1202
00:50:23,670 --> 00:50:21,359
is is nothing i mean all you saw were

1203
00:50:25,510 --> 00:50:23,680
night lights and that's nothing that

1204
00:50:27,109 --> 00:50:25,520
wouldn't have justified

1205
00:50:29,190 --> 00:50:27,119
them coming out there must have been

1206
00:50:31,109 --> 00:50:29,200
some other reason

1207
00:50:33,990 --> 00:50:31,119
why they came out and when you

1208
00:50:38,069 --> 00:50:34,000
considered that it was ed ropelt himself

1209
00:50:45,510 --> 00:50:39,430
olson

1210
00:50:47,349 --> 00:50:45,520
two of the the mainstays

1211
00:50:50,790 --> 00:50:47,359
in the organization

1212
00:50:56,390 --> 00:50:53,510
almost three years after rupaul was out

1213
00:50:59,109 --> 00:50:56,400

in a civilian you know he still had his

1214

00:51:01,829 --> 00:50:59,119

uniform i guess but uh

1215

00:51:05,030 --> 00:51:01,839

wow i mean what

1216

00:51:08,150 --> 00:51:05,040

what what what prompted it um

1217

00:51:10,150 --> 00:51:08,160

now you mentioned earlier that they had

1218

00:51:13,109 --> 00:51:10,160

there was some there was uh

1219

00:51:17,510 --> 00:51:13,119

some cooperation in other words uh

1220

00:51:19,589 --> 00:51:17,520

someone else had seen this obviously

1221

00:51:21,750 --> 00:51:19,599

was did you happen to notice was that

1222

00:51:22,470 --> 00:51:21,760

noted anywhere as well

1223

00:51:24,069 --> 00:51:22,480

no

1224

00:51:26,630 --> 00:51:24,079

it wasn't

1225

00:51:30,950 --> 00:51:26,640

and there was no other sighting uh in

1226

00:51:32,630 --> 00:51:30,960

the area uh around those dates

1227

00:51:34,390 --> 00:51:32,640

so it'd kind of make you wonder if

1228

00:51:38,630 --> 00:51:34,400

you're trying to put together a puzzle

1229

00:51:39,910 --> 00:51:38,640

pieces maybe uh maybe someone saw the

1230

00:51:42,790 --> 00:51:39,920

encounter

1231

00:51:44,870 --> 00:51:42,800

uh even the sighting even closer

1232

00:51:47,750 --> 00:51:44,880

uh maybe someone saw it earlier and

1233

00:51:50,309 --> 00:51:47,760

there was a landing um trying to figure

1234

00:51:51,910 --> 00:51:50,319

out why they would try to lead you into

1235

00:51:55,190 --> 00:51:51,920

telling them

1236

00:52:00,150 --> 00:51:57,670

they were he was very very

1237

00:52:03,109 --> 00:52:00,160

leading in that regard

1238

00:52:05,589 --> 00:52:03,119

and i remember feeling

1239

00:52:07,030 --> 00:52:05,599

great discomfort like i i should be

1240

00:52:09,430 --> 00:52:07,040

telling him

1241

00:52:12,309 --> 00:52:09,440

you know that that it had landed but i

1242

00:52:15,190 --> 00:52:12,319

couldn't because it hadn't i mean i just

1243

00:52:18,150 --> 00:52:15,200

i had to i had to stick to my story

1244

00:52:20,790 --> 00:52:18,160

which was the only story i had which was

1245

00:52:22,630 --> 00:52:20,800

what i saw

1246

00:52:24,150 --> 00:52:22,640

now you mentioned your you mentioned

1247

00:52:25,270 --> 00:52:24,160

your parents were

1248

00:52:27,589 --> 00:52:25,280

divorced

1249

00:52:29,109 --> 00:52:27,599

at that time but if were you in touch

1250

00:52:30,710 --> 00:52:29,119

with your father did you talk to him

1251
00:52:33,750 --> 00:52:30,720
about this

1252
00:52:35,990 --> 00:52:33,760
uh only in later life uh and that's an

1253
00:52:38,870 --> 00:52:36,000
interesting part of the story

1254
00:52:42,150 --> 00:52:38,880
um i got to know my dad uh

1255
00:52:45,670 --> 00:52:42,160
really really well in in my 40s

1256
00:52:47,670 --> 00:52:45,680
and and we became great friends uh and

1257
00:52:50,069 --> 00:52:47,680
uh devoted to each other

1258
00:52:53,670 --> 00:52:50,079
up until the time of his his death in in

1259
00:52:56,230 --> 00:52:55,109
but

1260
00:53:02,549 --> 00:52:56,240
after

1261
00:53:06,870 --> 00:53:02,559
um well but as i said my dad flew uh

1262
00:53:08,790 --> 00:53:06,880
b-24s heavy bombers uh over over england

1263
00:53:11,990 --> 00:53:08,800

he was not part of the eighth air force

1264

00:53:14,309 --> 00:53:12,000

but flew with the eighth air force those

1265

00:53:16,230 --> 00:53:14,319

guys got to fly 25 missions if they

1266

00:53:18,549 --> 00:53:16,240

survived of course i think the average

1267

00:53:20,710 --> 00:53:18,559

was about six or seven missions

1268

00:53:22,309 --> 00:53:20,720

uh and then the pilots you know that's

1269

00:53:23,670 --> 00:53:22,319

how long they lived

1270

00:53:25,829 --> 00:53:23,680

um

1271

00:53:28,309 --> 00:53:25,839

i'm not sure how many missions my dad

1272

00:53:32,630 --> 00:53:28,319

flew but he was there for for a couple

1273

00:53:34,150 --> 00:53:32,640

of years and he didn't get to go home

1274

00:53:39,750 --> 00:53:34,160

he

1275

00:53:43,349 --> 00:53:39,760

fly anti-submarine

1276
00:53:44,710 --> 00:53:43,359
warfare but we had no technology for

1277
00:53:45,510 --> 00:53:44,720
doing that

1278
00:53:48,790 --> 00:53:45,520
but

1279
00:53:50,470 --> 00:53:48,800
at the end of the war

1280
00:53:53,190 --> 00:53:50,480
he was

1281
00:53:58,309 --> 00:53:55,109
topeka kansas

1282
00:54:00,069 --> 00:53:58,319
to a secret training operation where

1283
00:54:02,390 --> 00:54:00,079
they had developed

1284
00:54:04,390 --> 00:54:02,400
i guess what we'd call a laser guided or

1285
00:54:05,990 --> 00:54:04,400
smart bomb

1286
00:54:08,390 --> 00:54:06,000
they would drop

1287
00:54:10,470 --> 00:54:08,400
three buoys and triangulate on a

1288
00:54:14,309 --> 00:54:10,480

submarine and so

1289

00:54:16,549 --> 00:54:14,319

he told me he said look he says

1290

00:54:17,589 --> 00:54:16,559

you know i came home from the war with a

1291

00:54:24,549 --> 00:54:17,599

a

1292

00:54:28,230 --> 00:54:24,559

one i never

1293

00:54:30,630 --> 00:54:28,240

lost a crewman he was shot down twice

1294

00:54:31,589 --> 00:54:30,640

but crashed twice but never lost to

1295

00:54:32,630 --> 00:54:31,599

crewman

1296

00:54:36,950 --> 00:54:32,640

and

1297

00:54:38,710 --> 00:54:36,960

most proud of was when i came back from

1298

00:54:41,510 --> 00:54:38,720

kansas

1299

00:54:44,309 --> 00:54:41,520

i sunk a german u-boat

1300

00:54:46,710 --> 00:54:44,319

that was this was after the war was over

1301

00:54:51,270 --> 00:54:46,720

it was a rogue u-boat he said i sunk a

1302

00:54:52,630 --> 00:54:51,280

u-boat uh in a pby and he said

1303

00:54:55,589 --> 00:54:52,640

we dropped

1304

00:54:57,750 --> 00:54:55,599

you know we said we were out we we we

1305

00:54:59,670 --> 00:54:57,760

were near the end of our mission we were

1306

00:55:01,430 --> 00:54:59,680

running low on fuel

1307

00:55:02,309 --> 00:55:01,440

and uh

1308

00:55:06,549 --> 00:55:02,319

we

1309

00:55:09,270 --> 00:55:06,559

periscope

1310

00:55:11,829 --> 00:55:09,280

and so uh he said my co-pilot said hey

1311

00:55:13,990 --> 00:55:11,839

bill let's uh let's head on back he said

1312

00:55:16,789 --> 00:55:14,000

no i can't he says there's a whole

1313

00:55:17,589 --> 00:55:16,799

flotilla of hospital ships going back he

1314

00:55:19,270 --> 00:55:17,599

says

1315

00:55:21,829 --> 00:55:19,280

that u-boat is going to have its way

1316

00:55:24,789 --> 00:55:21,839

with them if we don't stop it so he

1317

00:55:27,670 --> 00:55:24,799

dropped the three buoys and then got a a

1318

00:55:30,390 --> 00:55:27,680

fix on the u-boat and dropped the bomb

1319

00:55:31,990 --> 00:55:30,400

that went or the torpedo that went to it

1320

00:55:33,910 --> 00:55:32,000

and they could actually hear it he says

1321

00:55:36,710 --> 00:55:33,920

i could hear the baffles collapsing i

1322

00:55:39,430 --> 00:55:36,720

could hear the screams on board and i

1323

00:55:42,069 --> 00:55:39,440

knew that we had sunk that u-boat

1324

00:55:43,349 --> 00:55:42,079

because then it went all quiet

1325

00:55:45,030 --> 00:55:43,359

and

1326

00:55:46,789 --> 00:55:45,040

he said that's that's my proudest

1327

00:55:48,710 --> 00:55:46,799

accomplishment he says

1328

00:55:50,470 --> 00:55:48,720

he said i took a lot of lives with a lot

1329

00:55:53,030 --> 00:55:50,480

of bombs some people that didn't need to

1330

00:55:56,950 --> 00:55:53,040

die he said but i saved a lot of lives

1331

00:55:58,789 --> 00:55:56,960

of american gis who were coming back so

1332

00:56:01,270 --> 00:55:58,799

i just offered that story to give you a

1333

00:56:04,390 --> 00:56:01,280

little insight into my dad

1334

00:56:06,789 --> 00:56:04,400

he uh he was an engineer as well

1335

00:56:08,309 --> 00:56:06,799

and uh like captain ruppelt

1336

00:56:11,109 --> 00:56:08,319

and uh

1337

00:56:13,750 --> 00:56:11,119

maybe i s maybe i saw a little bit of my

1338

00:56:16,230 --> 00:56:13,760

dad and captain ruppelt or kind of

1339

00:56:17,589 --> 00:56:16,240

wanted that that dad figure is why i

1340

00:56:19,510 --> 00:56:17,599

liked him so

1341

00:56:22,309 --> 00:56:19,520

so much but uh

1342

00:56:25,270 --> 00:56:22,319

in in having an adult conversation with

1343

00:56:26,950 --> 00:56:25,280

my dad about it i asked him i said dad

1344

00:56:29,829 --> 00:56:26,960

did you ever

1345

00:56:32,789 --> 00:56:29,839

see anything when you were flying uh any

1346

00:56:35,190 --> 00:56:32,799

any ufos he says oh you mean foo

1347

00:56:37,750 --> 00:56:35,200

fighters

1348

00:56:40,230 --> 00:56:37,760

oh he said yeah they flew very matter oh

1349

00:56:42,630 --> 00:56:40,240

they flew with us all the time

1350

00:56:44,230 --> 00:56:42,640

i said really he says oh yeah they on

1351
00:56:45,589 --> 00:56:44,240
almost every mission they were they were

1352
00:56:48,150 --> 00:56:45,599
flying with us

1353
00:56:50,069 --> 00:56:48,160
i said well did they ever attack or

1354
00:56:52,789 --> 00:56:50,079
anything no no they just they just they

1355
00:56:54,870 --> 00:56:52,799
just flew like escorts

1356
00:56:56,789 --> 00:56:54,880
and he was very matter of fact about it

1357
00:56:59,190 --> 00:56:56,799
just like you know

1358
00:57:01,750 --> 00:56:59,200
and um

1359
00:57:04,390 --> 00:57:01,760
so i later found out that that you know

1360
00:57:06,390 --> 00:57:04,400
when working as a civilian at fort

1361
00:57:08,150 --> 00:57:06,400
rucker where he was uh

1362
00:57:10,230 --> 00:57:08,160
chief of air safety

1363
00:57:13,349 --> 00:57:10,240

as a civilian he uh

1364

00:57:15,270 --> 00:57:13,359

he actually we believe and can't prove

1365

00:57:17,030 --> 00:57:15,280

we think he pretty sure

1366

00:57:18,309 --> 00:57:17,040

he worked for the cia

1367

00:57:20,390 --> 00:57:18,319

and um

1368

00:57:22,549 --> 00:57:20,400

and i always wondered if if you know

1369

00:57:24,390 --> 00:57:22,559

with his secret

1370

00:57:26,870 --> 00:57:24,400

stuff that he was doing

1371

00:57:29,030 --> 00:57:26,880

uh you know he never left the military i

1372

00:57:30,710 --> 00:57:29,040

mean he he was out of the military but

1373

00:57:32,549 --> 00:57:30,720

he never

1374

00:57:34,309 --> 00:57:32,559

i think like had ruppelt

1375

00:57:35,910 --> 00:57:34,319

you know he was just part of that

1376

00:57:39,430 --> 00:57:35,920

clandestine

1377

00:57:41,829 --> 00:57:39,440

service and uh never never really left

1378

00:57:44,470 --> 00:57:41,839

so i wondered if if you know when they

1379

00:57:45,990 --> 00:57:44,480

saw my name if you know if that if that

1380

00:57:48,309 --> 00:57:46,000

triggered it you know

1381

00:57:50,950 --> 00:57:48,319

you know what's this is this guy the son

1382

00:57:54,789 --> 00:57:50,960

of this guy does he you know but but

1383

00:57:57,109 --> 00:57:54,799

my mother said it never came up uh

1384

00:57:59,510 --> 00:57:57,119

you know with with captain rumple that

1385

00:58:02,470 --> 00:57:59,520

that he never asked you know uh how's

1386

00:58:03,270 --> 00:58:02,480

your husband doing or anything like that

1387

00:58:06,390 --> 00:58:03,280

so

1388

00:58:09,349 --> 00:58:06,400

that's probably you know a false lead

1389

00:58:10,470 --> 00:58:09,359

but but i often wondered if if that were

1390

00:58:12,950 --> 00:58:10,480

the case

1391

00:58:14,870 --> 00:58:12,960

wow and i asked i asked my dad also i

1392

00:58:16,230 --> 00:58:14,880

said dad i said

1393

00:58:22,630 --> 00:58:16,240

if

1394

00:58:23,750 --> 00:58:22,640

knows i said how can that be kept a

1395

00:58:25,910 --> 00:58:23,760

secret

1396

00:58:28,549 --> 00:58:25,920

he looked at me he says i i'll tell you

1397

00:58:31,430 --> 00:58:28,559

i'll tell you this he says uh and don't

1398

00:58:33,910 --> 00:58:31,440

you ever ask me that again he says

1399

00:58:36,630 --> 00:58:33,920

they tell you that if you ever tell

1400

00:58:39,190 --> 00:58:36,640

about this that you will be killed and

1401

00:58:41,349 --> 00:58:39,200

so will every member of your family

1402

00:58:46,630 --> 00:58:41,359

he said that's how secrets are kept he

1403

00:58:49,670 --> 00:58:48,549

do you think he was exaggerating or do

1404

00:58:52,789 --> 00:58:49,680

you think

1405

00:58:53,990 --> 00:58:52,799

not this man no

1406

00:58:56,470 --> 00:58:54,000

wow

1407

00:58:58,710 --> 00:58:56,480

no he's no exaggeration and

1408

00:59:00,390 --> 00:58:58,720

not not an exaggerating bone in this

1409

00:59:04,950 --> 00:59:00,400

guy's body

1410

00:59:07,270 --> 00:59:04,960

wow amazing so the foo fighters uh

1411

00:59:08,390 --> 00:59:07,280

you when you read about that or you hear

1412

00:59:09,349 --> 00:59:08,400

about that

1413

00:59:13,589 --> 00:59:09,359

they

1414

00:59:14,950 --> 00:59:13,599

uh according to most there was no idea

1415

00:59:16,710 --> 00:59:14,960

what they were

1416

00:59:19,190 --> 00:59:16,720

there was speculation that they could

1417

00:59:20,789 --> 00:59:19,200

have been from the germans or what did

1418

00:59:23,910 --> 00:59:20,799

he think did he talk about what he

1419

00:59:29,589 --> 00:59:26,950

not really um he considered them to be

1420

00:59:33,750 --> 00:59:32,230

that they were not hostile

1421

00:59:36,150 --> 00:59:33,760

and um

1422

00:59:38,230 --> 00:59:36,160

they they flew with us they're like

1423

00:59:40,390 --> 00:59:38,240

escorts and uh

1424

00:59:41,270 --> 00:59:40,400

we were glad they were there

1425

00:59:43,190 --> 00:59:41,280

and

1426

00:59:45,430 --> 00:59:43,200

it's almost like

1427

00:59:47,030 --> 00:59:45,440

they guided us you almost i think he

1428

00:59:50,710 --> 00:59:47,040

said something like it's almost like

1429

00:59:54,390 --> 00:59:52,309

it was just

1430

00:59:56,470 --> 00:59:54,400

but he would he talked about that very

1431

00:59:57,670 --> 00:59:56,480

freely but when once we got into the

1432

01:00:01,109 --> 00:59:57,680

subject of

1433

01:00:02,390 --> 01:00:01,119

ufos and secrets boy did the door ever

1434

01:00:04,390 --> 01:00:02,400

close

1435

01:00:06,309 --> 01:00:04,400

and he said i can talk about the foo

1436

01:00:07,910 --> 01:00:06,319

fighters because everybody knew about

1437

01:00:10,549 --> 01:00:07,920

that

1438

01:00:11,910 --> 01:00:10,559

i'm not talking out of out of school but

1439

01:00:14,870 --> 01:00:11,920

he

1440

01:00:16,470 --> 01:00:14,880

my dad had a

1441

01:00:19,510 --> 01:00:16,480

cardiac arrest

1442

01:00:25,910 --> 01:00:23,270

i think 60 years old and survived it

1443

01:00:28,069 --> 01:00:25,920

but when he went to

1444

01:00:28,870 --> 01:00:28,079

university of alabama birmingham to have

1445

01:00:31,829 --> 01:00:28,880

his

1446

01:00:34,630 --> 01:00:31,839

quintuple bypass

1447

01:00:37,109 --> 01:00:34,640

there were two fbi agents in the

1448

01:00:39,190 --> 01:00:37,119

operating room with him

1449

01:00:42,230 --> 01:00:39,200

really wow

1450

01:00:44,150 --> 01:00:42,240

yeah they would not let him be sedated

1451

01:00:46,069 --> 01:00:44,160

without the fbi

1452

01:00:48,230 --> 01:00:46,079

there

1453

01:00:49,829 --> 01:00:48,240

so that's the kind of secret clearance

1454

01:00:53,910 --> 01:00:49,839

he had

1455

01:00:56,390 --> 01:00:53,920

wow amazing so when um

1456

01:00:57,750 --> 01:00:56,400

the the thing that another just to

1457

01:00:59,589 --> 01:00:57,760

continue a little bit on the foo

1458

01:01:02,069 --> 01:00:59,599

fighters again the

1459

01:01:03,910 --> 01:01:02,079

speculation is you know

1460

01:01:05,750 --> 01:01:03,920

why did they only happen during world

1461

01:01:06,950 --> 01:01:05,760

war ii you didn't hear about them

1462

01:01:08,789 --> 01:01:06,960

afterwards

1463

01:01:10,470 --> 01:01:08,799

um and

1464

01:01:12,470 --> 01:01:10,480

you know some people

1465

01:01:14,710 --> 01:01:12,480

uh i'm not saying this is my thoughts at

1466

01:01:16,630 --> 01:01:14,720

all but some people have speculated that

1467

01:01:17,510 --> 01:01:16,640

it's a time travel

1468

01:01:19,990 --> 01:01:17,520

uh

1469

01:01:21,990 --> 01:01:20,000

situation that people are focusing on

1470

01:01:23,910 --> 01:01:22,000

historic events now i don't know if i

1471

01:01:24,710 --> 01:01:23,920

buy into that in any type of way or not

1472

01:01:25,510 --> 01:01:24,720

but

1473

01:01:27,829 --> 01:01:25,520

um

1474

01:01:29,990 --> 01:01:27,839

it is uh it's very interesting that that

1475

01:01:31,589 --> 01:01:30,000

just seemed to happen during the war and

1476

01:01:33,270 --> 01:01:31,599

then you didn't hear about it

1477

01:01:36,390 --> 01:01:33,280

after

1478

01:01:38,789 --> 01:01:36,400

it was like gone that's right i mean

1479

01:01:40,230 --> 01:01:38,799

where did the foo fighters go why why

1480

01:01:41,589 --> 01:01:40,240

were they

1481

01:01:43,829 --> 01:01:41,599

just in

1482

01:01:45,990 --> 01:01:43,839

northern europe i don't think they were

1483

01:01:48,309 --> 01:01:46,000

ever

1484

01:01:50,549 --> 01:01:48,319

perhaps they were recorded in

1485

01:01:52,950 --> 01:01:50,559

southern europe and italy and greece and

1486

01:01:54,470 --> 01:01:52,960

places like that but

1487

01:01:56,230 --> 01:01:54,480

they um

1488

01:01:58,710 --> 01:01:56,240

they were definitely in in northern

1489

01:01:59,990 --> 01:01:58,720

europa where where my dad was was flying

1490

01:02:01,270 --> 01:02:00,000

and uh

1491

01:02:03,430 --> 01:02:01,280

you know he

1492

01:02:05,349 --> 01:02:03,440

said oh yeah

1493

01:02:06,390 --> 01:02:05,359

i saw them all the time they were always

1494

01:02:09,349 --> 01:02:06,400

there

1495

01:02:12,470 --> 01:02:09,359

now a lot of people are saying that um

1496

01:02:14,950 --> 01:02:12,480

they were similar to orbs like um and

1497

01:02:16,470 --> 01:02:14,960

some said they were green and you know

1498

01:02:18,710 --> 01:02:16,480

they're different colors

1499

01:02:20,390 --> 01:02:18,720

did he did he go into detail i know this

1500

01:02:21,430 --> 01:02:20,400

is probably

1501

01:02:23,109 --> 01:02:21,440

uh

1502

01:02:25,510 --> 01:02:23,119

a little redundant for you but did he go

1503

01:02:28,069 --> 01:02:25,520

into detail about them

1504

01:02:31,430 --> 01:02:28,079

not really not really

1505

01:02:33,349 --> 01:02:31,440

he just called them foo fighters and

1506

01:02:35,029 --> 01:02:33,359

it was uh they were like he said they

1507

01:02:37,430 --> 01:02:35,039

were like flew with us

1508

01:02:39,510 --> 01:02:37,440

in formation like escorts

1509

01:02:41,349 --> 01:02:39,520

so it was sort of uh the impression i

1510

01:02:42,710 --> 01:02:41,359

had from him was they weren't just

1511

01:02:45,349 --> 01:02:42,720

buzzing around

1512

01:02:47,910 --> 01:02:45,359

but they were kind of flying

1513

01:02:49,829 --> 01:02:47,920

i guess like if you look out on the wing

1514

01:02:51,109 --> 01:02:49,839

and you see a light out there on your

1515

01:02:53,029 --> 01:02:51,119

you know

1516

01:02:55,990 --> 01:02:53,039

on the end of your wing

1517

01:02:57,670 --> 01:02:56,000

or a landing light it's

1518

01:03:00,710 --> 01:02:57,680

it's just like seeing a light out there

1519

01:03:03,829 --> 01:03:00,720

it's just flying with them

1520

01:03:05,750 --> 01:03:03,839

most of my dad's flying was at night

1521

01:03:08,309 --> 01:03:05,760

oh really yeah

1522

01:03:10,390 --> 01:03:08,319

so uh going back to

1523

01:03:12,230 --> 01:03:10,400

this um

1524

01:03:14,870 --> 01:03:12,240

all the way back to the encounter you

1525

01:03:20,069 --> 01:03:14,880

had and back to the visit

1526

01:03:22,789 --> 01:03:20,079

from rupault and uh uh owens

1527

01:03:26,630 --> 01:03:22,799

olsen i mean uh

1528

01:03:29,589 --> 01:03:26,640

it is very unusual that they would spend

1529

01:03:30,789 --> 01:03:29,599

uh for lights in the sky basically that

1530

01:03:33,670 --> 01:03:30,799

there's been

1531

01:03:37,029 --> 01:03:33,680

seven or eight hours in uh

1532

01:03:38,789 --> 01:03:37,039

in the home now you said you felt

1533

01:03:41,190 --> 01:03:38,799

comfortable but

1534

01:03:42,390 --> 01:03:41,200

when they wanted to speak to alone i

1535

01:03:44,390 --> 01:03:42,400

mean

1536

01:03:46,950 --> 01:03:44,400

uh that must have been

1537

01:03:48,630 --> 01:03:46,960

you know for a young kid um

1538

01:03:52,230 --> 01:03:48,640

you must have felt

1539

01:03:56,230 --> 01:03:52,240

uh a little uncomfortable i would think

1540

01:03:57,750 --> 01:03:56,240

actually not uh rupert was so uh warm

1541

01:04:00,309 --> 01:03:57,760

and engaging

1542

01:04:03,029 --> 01:04:00,319

that that he was just like

1543

01:04:05,990 --> 01:04:03,039

you know uh it was like he we'd become

1544

01:04:07,190 --> 01:04:06,000

friends and so i i trusted him

1545

01:04:18,230 --> 01:04:07,200

uh

1546

01:04:20,950 --> 01:04:18,240

my head so to speak

1547

01:04:23,029 --> 01:04:20,960

and uh it just didn't seem

1548

01:04:25,190 --> 01:04:23,039

to have the the same

1549

01:04:28,150 --> 01:04:25,200

the same degree of

1550

01:04:29,670 --> 01:04:28,160

of empathy

1551

01:04:31,589 --> 01:04:29,680

but

1552

01:04:33,829 --> 01:04:31,599

whether maybe perhaps perhaps he wasn't

1553

01:04:37,270 --> 01:04:33,839

even interested in in the in the case

1554

01:04:39,190 --> 01:04:37,280

but rupert clearly was

1555

01:04:41,910 --> 01:04:39,200

interested in wanting to get all the

1556

01:04:45,109 --> 01:04:41,920

information he could but no i was i was

1557

01:04:47,750 --> 01:04:45,119

pretty relaxed by then and i was i was

1558

01:04:50,549 --> 01:04:47,760

wanting to to end it i mean i was i was

1559

01:04:51,910 --> 01:04:50,559

ready to i mean the day was shot and i

1560

01:04:54,470 --> 01:04:51,920

obviously wasn't going to get to the

1561

01:04:56,870 --> 01:04:54,480

pool

1562

01:05:00,710 --> 01:04:56,880

i just wanted to get get the heck

1563

01:05:01,589 --> 01:05:00,720

out of there and uh and finish up

1564

01:05:02,390 --> 01:05:01,599

yeah

1565

01:05:05,430 --> 01:05:02,400

wow

1566

01:05:08,710 --> 01:05:06,710

as you moved on you said you didn't

1567

01:05:12,150 --> 01:05:08,720

really talk about this for 40 years but

1568

01:05:14,789 --> 01:05:12,160

did you keep a keen interest in ufos

1569

01:05:16,309 --> 01:05:14,799

oh yes oh yes

1570

01:05:17,349 --> 01:05:16,319

always uh

1571

01:05:22,150 --> 01:05:17,359

you know

1572

01:05:25,750 --> 01:05:22,160

about it occasionally buy a book about

1573

01:05:27,510 --> 01:05:25,760

you know and and uh so i i've i've kept

1574

01:05:30,789 --> 01:05:27,520

up with it um

1575

01:05:31,750 --> 01:05:30,799

all along and uh you know i'm i'm

1576

01:05:32,549 --> 01:05:31,760

certainly

1577

01:05:34,549 --> 01:05:32,559

don't

1578

01:05:36,870 --> 01:05:34,559

consider myself uh

1579

01:05:38,549 --> 01:05:36,880

you know an expert i'm not ready to you

1580

01:05:39,589 --> 01:05:38,559

know i'm not interested in going on the

1581

01:05:40,870 --> 01:05:39,599

tour

1582

01:05:42,789 --> 01:05:40,880

or or

1583

01:05:45,750 --> 01:05:42,799

you know going to any conferences or

1584

01:05:47,589 --> 01:05:45,760

anything like that um

1585

01:05:50,549 --> 01:05:47,599

you know i'm happy to talk to you in the

1586

01:05:52,390 --> 01:05:50,559

audience about it tonight and and share

1587

01:05:55,430 --> 01:05:52,400

it because

1588

01:05:58,390 --> 01:05:55,440

it's my story and it's the it's the same

1589

01:06:02,309 --> 01:05:58,400

story i told captain ripple

1590

01:06:05,990 --> 01:06:02,319

you know 50 however many years ago

1591

01:06:09,910 --> 01:06:06,000

55 or more years ago 60 years ago is it

1592

01:06:13,029 --> 01:06:09,920

60 yes it is 68 years ago

1593

01:06:14,390 --> 01:06:13,039

it uh it's still a very very vivid

1594

01:06:17,109 --> 01:06:14,400

memory

1595

01:06:20,870 --> 01:06:17,119

i've i've done some work

1596

01:06:23,510 --> 01:06:20,880

on trying to reconstruct things

1597

01:06:26,390 --> 01:06:23,520

through visualization

1598

01:06:30,549 --> 01:06:26,400

i've gone back and found old pictures of

1599

01:06:34,390 --> 01:06:32,549

you know the house of course that we

1600

01:06:37,109 --> 01:06:34,400

lived in is no longer there it's

1601
01:06:39,510 --> 01:06:37,119
bulldozed years ago but i've gone back

1602
01:06:42,390 --> 01:06:39,520
and tried to sketch the floor plan and

1603
01:06:43,589 --> 01:06:42,400
to look at some some old pictures of of

1604
01:06:46,470 --> 01:06:43,599
the house

1605
01:06:49,990 --> 01:06:46,480
inside and out and and trying to sort of

1606
01:06:52,630 --> 01:06:50,000
reconstruct uh the events

1607
01:06:55,829 --> 01:06:52,640
my youngest daughter uh laura who i

1608
01:06:57,270 --> 01:06:55,839
think you may have spoken to in the past

1609
01:07:00,069 --> 01:06:57,280
um

1610
01:07:01,029 --> 01:07:00,079
laura's an excellent artist and and she

1611
01:07:04,710 --> 01:07:01,039
does

1612
01:07:06,789 --> 01:07:04,720
she can do anything in in drawing so uh

1613
01:07:09,829 --> 01:07:06,799

we're gonna we're working on a

1614

01:07:11,750 --> 01:07:09,839

collaboration uh what i'd call sort of

1615

01:07:14,789 --> 01:07:11,760

not not a comic book because it's not

1616

01:07:17,349 --> 01:07:14,799

funny but but an illustrated

1617

01:07:20,470 --> 01:07:17,359

view of what happened

1618

01:07:23,670 --> 01:07:20,480

so there would be pictures of of

1619

01:07:26,150 --> 01:07:23,680

you know of scenes uh all the scenes

1620

01:07:28,309 --> 01:07:26,160

that i remember vividly to try to you

1621

01:07:30,230 --> 01:07:28,319

know get her to describe i would

1622

01:07:32,309 --> 01:07:30,240

describe it get her to draw it and then

1623

01:07:34,549 --> 01:07:32,319

we would have a narrative that goes with

1624

01:07:37,029 --> 01:07:34,559

that and and that's

1625

01:07:38,470 --> 01:07:37,039

i mean that's just for my own amusement

1626

01:07:42,309 --> 01:07:38,480

really

1627

01:07:43,910 --> 01:07:42,319

um but i i think that visual is i you

1628

01:07:45,990 --> 01:07:43,920

know my doctorate's in educational

1629

01:07:48,309 --> 01:07:46,000

psychology and and and i know that

1630

01:07:49,910 --> 01:07:48,319

visualization is is

1631

01:07:53,910 --> 01:07:49,920

very very

1632

01:07:54,789 --> 01:07:53,920

important uh to to learning and and to

1633

01:07:56,470 --> 01:07:54,799

uh

1634

01:07:57,829 --> 01:07:56,480

into memory

1635

01:07:59,190 --> 01:07:57,839

we're getting a thunderstorm here i

1636

01:08:00,549 --> 01:07:59,200

don't know if you heard the clap of

1637

01:08:01,510 --> 01:08:00,559

thunder there but

1638

01:08:03,270 --> 01:08:01,520

it's just

1639

01:08:06,549 --> 01:08:03,280

cracked

1640

01:08:09,510 --> 01:08:06,559

so creating those images helps to bring

1641

01:08:12,789 --> 01:08:09,520

back some of the details and i found

1642

01:08:15,990 --> 01:08:12,799

that that my memory seems to improve

1643

01:08:18,709 --> 01:08:16,000

with with the visualization of of the

1644

01:08:20,709 --> 01:08:18,719

different scenes of of where we were and

1645

01:08:24,630 --> 01:08:20,719

i've got some pretty good

1646

01:08:26,550 --> 01:08:24,640

embedded visuals of of of it and

1647

01:08:28,789 --> 01:08:26,560

because

1648

01:08:30,309 --> 01:08:28,799

i've thought about it i may not have

1649

01:08:32,070 --> 01:08:30,319

told the story

1650

01:08:36,709 --> 01:08:32,080

a lot over the years but i've thought

1651
01:08:42,149 --> 01:08:38,789
and it's it's because not just of the

1652
01:08:44,149 --> 01:08:42,159
visit but of what caused the visit

1653
01:08:45,829 --> 01:08:44,159
the sighting itself

1654
01:08:52,630 --> 01:08:45,839
um

1655
01:08:54,709 --> 01:08:52,640
uh powerful and and and thrilling to see

1656
01:08:56,630 --> 01:08:54,719
something like that

1657
01:08:57,829 --> 01:08:56,640
because i've never seen anything like it

1658
01:08:59,590 --> 01:08:57,839
since

1659
01:09:01,590 --> 01:08:59,600
have you had any type of sighting at all

1660
01:09:02,789 --> 01:09:01,600
since that time

1661
01:09:04,789 --> 01:09:02,799
um

1662
01:09:07,510 --> 01:09:04,799
one or two nights when we were living in

1663
01:09:09,189 --> 01:09:07,520

pensacola in in the

1664

01:09:12,149 --> 01:09:09,199

early 90s

1665

01:09:13,829 --> 01:09:12,159

my wife and i went out with the mufon

1666

01:09:15,269 --> 01:09:13,839

group they would go out to the pensacola

1667

01:09:16,690 --> 01:09:15,279

bay bridge and

1668

01:09:18,550 --> 01:09:16,700

and look and

1669

01:09:22,470 --> 01:09:18,560

[Music]

1670

01:09:24,229 --> 01:09:22,480

we did we did see um uh a moving light

1671

01:09:26,550 --> 01:09:24,239

i don't know what it was but it wasn't

1672

01:09:27,910 --> 01:09:26,560

nearly as impressive as what i saw when

1673

01:09:28,870 --> 01:09:27,920

i was 12.

1674

01:09:30,309 --> 01:09:28,880

um

1675

01:09:32,229 --> 01:09:30,319

and some of the people you know said

1676

01:09:35,030 --> 01:09:32,239

they they saw a lot of things and i'm

1677

01:09:36,870 --> 01:09:35,040

sure some of them did um

1678

01:09:39,510 --> 01:09:36,880

you know but but

1679

01:09:40,390 --> 01:09:39,520

i i try to remain a healthy skeptic and

1680

01:09:42,550 --> 01:09:40,400

um

1681

01:09:43,669 --> 01:09:42,560

you know if it's somebody i know and and

1682

01:09:46,229 --> 01:09:43,679

believe

1683

01:09:48,870 --> 01:09:46,239

um i've had you know

1684

01:09:51,189 --> 01:09:48,880

some folks that i've known and

1685

01:09:53,189 --> 01:09:51,199

you know uh worked with over the years

1686

01:09:55,189 --> 01:09:53,199

that i i believe and when they tell me

1687

01:09:56,390 --> 01:09:55,199

some they saw something

1688

01:09:58,790 --> 01:09:56,400

um

1689

01:10:00,870 --> 01:09:58,800

you know i'm i think there

1690

01:10:03,030 --> 01:10:00,880

are probably a lot of people like me who

1691

01:10:04,550 --> 01:10:03,040

have seen things that just never really

1692

01:10:07,189 --> 01:10:04,560

talk about it

1693

01:10:09,189 --> 01:10:07,199

yeah that's true that that uh

1694

01:10:10,470 --> 01:10:09,199

i'm sure it's a large percentage you

1695

01:10:11,830 --> 01:10:10,480

know i forgot to mention that if

1696

01:10:13,270 --> 01:10:11,840

anyone's listening live and they would

1697

01:10:14,870 --> 01:10:13,280

like to call in

1698

01:10:20,709 --> 01:10:14,880

and ask our guests a question you're

1699

01:10:26,070 --> 01:10:22,470

so during the

1700

01:10:29,750 --> 01:10:26,080

late 1980s the gulf breeze

1701

01:10:34,790 --> 01:10:31,189

you all right

1702

01:10:35,750 --> 01:10:34,800

yes i'm here okay uh you know

1703

01:10:37,830 --> 01:10:35,760

it

1704

01:10:40,870 --> 01:10:37,840

a lot of that a lot of people claim that

1705

01:10:42,950 --> 01:10:40,880

was a hoax or part of it was a hoax

1706

01:10:45,510 --> 01:10:42,960

some of it was possibly

1707

01:10:47,189 --> 01:10:45,520

did you were you uh

1708

01:10:48,790 --> 01:10:47,199

paying attention to that when it was

1709

01:10:51,430 --> 01:10:48,800

going on

1710

01:10:53,110 --> 01:10:51,440

i certainly did um of course we didn't

1711

01:10:54,709 --> 01:10:53,120

know who ed was

1712

01:10:56,709 --> 01:10:54,719

until much later

1713

01:10:58,630 --> 01:10:56,719

and then

1714

01:11:01,430 --> 01:10:58,640

much to my surprise it turned out to be

1715

01:11:04,310 --> 01:11:01,440

ed walters and and i knew ed walters

1716

01:11:09,189 --> 01:11:05,910

he was like a real estate developer or

1717

01:11:12,630 --> 01:11:09,199

something right yeah yeah a builder uh

1718

01:11:15,110 --> 01:11:12,640

very very nice guy and and just

1719

01:11:16,550 --> 01:11:15,120

a regular

1720

01:11:20,070 --> 01:11:16,560

businessman

1721

01:11:21,350 --> 01:11:20,080

um we shared the same cpa uh

1722

01:11:23,189 --> 01:11:21,360

the cpa

1723

01:11:25,430 --> 01:11:23,199

and our fraternity brothers we've known

1724

01:11:27,990 --> 01:11:25,440

each other for years and and i talked to

1725

01:11:31,110 --> 01:11:28,000

him about it and he says yeah he says ed

1726
01:11:32,790 --> 01:11:31,120
is just as level-headed as as anybody

1727
01:11:35,830 --> 01:11:32,800
and

1728
01:11:38,310 --> 01:11:35,840
so um

1729
01:11:43,110 --> 01:11:41,750
it's it's it's it's hard to know um

1730
01:11:45,910 --> 01:11:43,120
um

1731
01:11:48,550 --> 01:11:45,920
fenner mcconnell who was the uh

1732
01:11:49,669 --> 01:11:48,560
medical examiner there in uh escambia

1733
01:11:53,189 --> 01:11:49,679
county a

1734
01:11:55,189 --> 01:11:53,199
uh uh really a a wonderful person and

1735
01:11:56,390 --> 01:11:55,199
outstanding uh

1736
01:11:58,149 --> 01:11:56,400
physician

1737
01:12:00,950 --> 01:11:58,159
um had

1738
01:12:03,189 --> 01:12:00,960

you know he had seen and and when fenner

1739

01:12:04,470 --> 01:12:03,199

when fenner spoke i mean you knew this

1740

01:12:06,070 --> 01:12:04,480

this is

1741

01:12:10,390 --> 01:12:06,080

can't say it on the air but he's a

1742

01:12:12,229 --> 01:12:10,400

no-nonsense guy he wouldn't make it up

1743

01:12:14,550 --> 01:12:12,239

you know no way fender mcconnell would

1744

01:12:17,030 --> 01:12:14,560

ever make anything up and

1745

01:12:19,430 --> 01:12:17,040

his sister

1746

01:12:21,270 --> 01:12:19,440

lived in mississippi and she had

1747

01:12:23,270 --> 01:12:21,280

a sighting

1748

01:12:25,430 --> 01:12:23,280

about the same time

1749

01:12:27,750 --> 01:12:25,440

and she was visited

1750

01:12:29,110 --> 01:12:27,760

by some men in black and they threatened

1751
01:12:31,750 --> 01:12:29,120
her

1752
01:12:32,709 --> 01:12:31,760
and when fenner told that story i i

1753
01:12:38,790 --> 01:12:32,719
believed

1754
01:12:40,790 --> 01:12:38,800
was uh accidentally killed uh he was

1755
01:12:43,350 --> 01:12:40,800
a great jogger and was jogging across

1756
01:12:44,790 --> 01:12:43,360
the bob sykes bridge one day and i guess

1757
01:12:46,070 --> 01:12:44,800
somebody uh

1758
01:12:48,830 --> 01:12:46,080
just wasn't looking where they were

1759
01:12:51,590 --> 01:12:48,840
going and uh ran him down and killed

1760
01:12:53,750 --> 01:12:51,600
him but um

1761
01:12:54,870 --> 01:12:53,760
so there were there were some

1762
01:12:58,070 --> 01:12:54,880
um

1763
01:13:00,310 --> 01:12:58,080

people in that group uh that that i

1764

01:13:02,310 --> 01:13:00,320

went to went to elementary and high

1765

01:13:03,270 --> 01:13:02,320

school with and that i've known all my

1766

01:13:05,270 --> 01:13:03,280

life

1767

01:13:07,430 --> 01:13:05,280

and these are

1768

01:13:10,229 --> 01:13:07,440

these are people that don't

1769

01:13:11,990 --> 01:13:10,239

don't lie and don't tell don't make up

1770

01:13:13,990 --> 01:13:12,000

stories i mean

1771

01:13:17,590 --> 01:13:14,000

you know this is uh pensacola is the

1772

01:13:18,950 --> 01:13:17,600

deep south and uh

1773

01:13:21,430 --> 01:13:18,960

that kind of

1774

01:13:22,870 --> 01:13:21,440

you know people that make up

1775

01:13:23,669 --> 01:13:22,880

tall tales

1776

01:13:26,310 --> 01:13:23,679

uh

1777

01:13:28,870 --> 01:13:26,320

they're ostracized and so when these

1778

01:13:30,229 --> 01:13:28,880

guys come out and say they saw something

1779

01:13:31,270 --> 01:13:30,239

you better believe they're telling the

1780

01:13:32,950 --> 01:13:31,280

truth

1781

01:13:34,709 --> 01:13:32,960

that they saw they saw something they

1782

01:13:37,030 --> 01:13:34,719

couldn't explain

1783

01:13:38,229 --> 01:13:37,040

now maybe there may be an explanation

1784

01:13:40,390 --> 01:13:38,239

for it

1785

01:13:41,990 --> 01:13:40,400

besides

1786

01:13:44,149 --> 01:13:42,000

aliens

1787

01:13:46,310 --> 01:13:44,159

operating equipment but

1788

01:13:47,590 --> 01:13:46,320

um

1789

01:13:49,990 --> 01:13:47,600

i mean there were there were a lot of

1790

01:13:51,830 --> 01:13:50,000

stories that that popped up there a lot

1791

01:13:53,830 --> 01:13:51,840

of stories that popped up

1792

01:13:55,510 --> 01:13:53,840

yeah and uh so that was that was a

1793

01:13:57,350 --> 01:13:55,520

fascinating time

1794

01:13:59,030 --> 01:13:57,360

um

1795

01:14:00,709 --> 01:13:59,040

you know

1796

01:14:02,229 --> 01:14:00,719

people would say oh it's just mass

1797

01:14:03,990 --> 01:14:02,239

hysteria and

1798

01:14:06,149 --> 01:14:04,000

uh all that but

1799

01:14:07,910 --> 01:14:06,159

yeah i mean you you hear you hear of ed

1800

01:14:10,390 --> 01:14:07,920

walters but there was also

1801

01:14:13,270 --> 01:14:10,400

a lot of people that were witnessing

1802

01:14:14,709 --> 01:14:13,280

something going on prominent prominent

1803

01:14:19,590 --> 01:14:14,719

people

1804

01:14:21,750 --> 01:14:19,600

i mean one one guy i know is an eagle

1805

01:14:24,070 --> 01:14:21,760

scout and

1806

01:14:27,189 --> 01:14:24,080

this guy would never

1807

01:14:29,030 --> 01:14:27,199

he would never tell a lie

1808

01:14:30,310 --> 01:14:29,040

well here here's the thing that seems to

1809

01:14:32,470 --> 01:14:30,320

happen

1810

01:14:35,430 --> 01:14:32,480

um you know because i understand when

1811

01:14:38,229 --> 01:14:35,440

someone bought um ed walters house they

1812

01:14:40,709 --> 01:14:38,239

found a model of the craft up underneath

1813

01:14:44,229 --> 01:14:40,719

some insulation in the attic when they

1814

01:14:45,830 --> 01:14:44,239

were changing the heating system uh

1815

01:14:48,310 --> 01:14:45,840

you know so

1816

01:14:51,590 --> 01:14:48,320

what seems to happen and i've seen this

1817

01:14:53,990 --> 01:14:51,600

and talked about it uh before is that

1818

01:14:56,470 --> 01:14:54,000

yes someone does have a sighting it's

1819

01:14:58,630 --> 01:14:56,480

it's uh monumental to them

1820

01:15:01,510 --> 01:14:58,640

um and then time goes on and then

1821

01:15:03,270 --> 01:15:01,520

they're trying to like keep it alive or

1822

01:15:05,430 --> 01:15:03,280

or keep themselves

1823

01:15:07,750 --> 01:15:05,440

in the news or whatever it is

1824

01:15:09,510 --> 01:15:07,760

um and then they they seem to go wrong

1825

01:15:10,550 --> 01:15:09,520

this seems to happen to a number of

1826
01:15:14,070 --> 01:15:10,560
people

1827
01:15:16,310 --> 01:15:14,080
where um someone will either hoax or

1828
01:15:17,430 --> 01:15:16,320
exaggerate a story just to keep

1829
01:15:20,630 --> 01:15:17,440
keep uh

1830
01:15:22,950 --> 01:15:20,640
the spotlight on them on themselves

1831
01:15:24,470 --> 01:15:22,960
so it's well i can only speculate that's

1832
01:15:25,830 --> 01:15:24,480
what happened with ed but i don't really

1833
01:15:28,229 --> 01:15:25,840
know

1834
01:15:30,550 --> 01:15:28,239
i i don't either

1835
01:15:33,110 --> 01:15:30,560
and and i can't i can't be the judge of

1836
01:15:33,120 --> 01:15:36,790
nor do i want to be but

1837
01:15:40,229 --> 01:15:38,709
there were enough other people though

1838
01:15:41,030 --> 01:15:40,239

that

1839

01:15:45,669 --> 01:15:41,040

were

1840

01:15:47,910 --> 01:15:45,679

that that had credible sightings that uh

1841

01:15:50,870 --> 01:15:47,920

make me believe that um

1842

01:15:52,950 --> 01:15:50,880

at least part of what ed had

1843

01:15:54,950 --> 01:15:52,960

said he saw was real

1844

01:16:00,310 --> 01:15:54,960

um

1845

01:16:04,470 --> 01:16:00,320

felt uh after that i i don't know i'm

1846

01:16:10,390 --> 01:16:08,790

yeah so you you've gone this long um

1847

01:16:13,270 --> 01:16:10,400

you've been paying attention to what's

1848

01:16:15,590 --> 01:16:13,280

going on in the ufos there's actually a

1849

01:16:18,149 --> 01:16:15,600

symposium coming up we were talking

1850

01:16:20,790 --> 01:16:18,159

about earlier with alejandro

1851

01:16:22,390 --> 01:16:20,800

in florida coming up this year it's a

1852

01:16:24,149 --> 01:16:22,400

it's a real good one

1853

01:16:25,669 --> 01:16:24,159

have you uh i know you mentioned you

1854

01:16:28,229 --> 01:16:25,679

went to the christmas party but have you

1855

01:16:31,430 --> 01:16:28,239

ever attended any type of

1856

01:16:34,470 --> 01:16:31,440

um ufo convention of any type

1857

01:16:36,630 --> 01:16:34,480

never have never have

1858

01:16:38,950 --> 01:16:36,640

well uh it's going to be a good one this

1859

01:16:41,510 --> 01:16:38,960

year i just can't remember where it is

1860

01:16:44,310 --> 01:16:41,520

in florida but that's in august

1861

01:16:46,390 --> 01:16:44,320

a lot of really good speakers there

1862

01:16:48,390 --> 01:16:46,400

so what do you think

1863

01:16:50,630 --> 01:16:48,400

um

1864

01:16:52,709 --> 01:16:50,640

i always like to kind of get people's

1865

01:16:54,149 --> 01:16:52,719

different opinion what do you think they

1866

01:16:57,350 --> 01:16:54,159

are do you think

1867

01:16:58,990 --> 01:16:57,360

it's uh a possible it's possible that

1868

01:17:02,149 --> 01:16:59,000

these are

1869

01:17:05,430 --> 01:17:02,159

extraterrestrial visitations or what are

1870

01:17:05,440 --> 01:17:09,270

uh

1871

01:17:13,189 --> 01:17:11,910

i i think it's probably

1872

01:17:16,630 --> 01:17:13,199

today

1873

01:17:18,870 --> 01:17:16,640

uh what people are saying is probably

1874

01:17:21,430 --> 01:17:18,880

some kind of reverse engineered craft

1875

01:17:23,510 --> 01:17:21,440

that we've we've managed to fly or or

1876

01:17:24,950 --> 01:17:23,520

maybe not even reverse engineered maybe

1877

01:17:26,790 --> 01:17:24,960

it's just something

1878

01:17:29,030 --> 01:17:26,800

you know in the skunk works that we came

1879

01:17:30,470 --> 01:17:29,040

up with that that looks

1880

01:17:31,590 --> 01:17:30,480

looks really weird

1881

01:17:33,350 --> 01:17:31,600

uh

1882

01:17:35,030 --> 01:17:33,360

you know when we first saw the stealth i

1883

01:17:35,910 --> 01:17:35,040

mean it was kind of like whoa look at

1884

01:17:37,110 --> 01:17:35,920

that

1885

01:17:38,950 --> 01:17:37,120

uh

1886

01:17:40,149 --> 01:17:38,960

so

1887

01:17:41,830 --> 01:17:40,159

but but the

1888

01:17:44,950 --> 01:17:41,840

the old sightings

1889

01:17:46,950 --> 01:17:44,960

the signing that i saw in 1956

1890

01:17:49,510 --> 01:17:46,960

and the sightings back then

1891

01:17:54,390 --> 01:17:51,430

those those

1892

01:17:57,110 --> 01:17:54,400

had to be i mean they were not russians

1893

01:17:59,189 --> 01:17:57,120

they were not our secret planes flying

1894

01:18:01,030 --> 01:17:59,199

around because we didn't have anything

1895

01:18:02,709 --> 01:18:01,040

to do that and really we still don't

1896

01:18:06,550 --> 01:18:02,719

have anything that i know of that can do

1897

01:18:11,030 --> 01:18:08,470

i believe that the

1898

01:18:13,950 --> 01:18:11,040

at least the the older sightings

1899

01:18:16,149 --> 01:18:13,960

um were were

1900

01:18:17,430 --> 01:18:16,159

extraterrestrial in in nature that

1901

01:18:19,430 --> 01:18:17,440

that's just

1902

01:18:21,189 --> 01:18:19,440

the best guess i think i think it's the

1903

01:18:22,870 --> 01:18:21,199

most logical guess

1904

01:18:27,030 --> 01:18:22,880

um

1905

01:18:28,149 --> 01:18:27,040

and i say that without any emotion or

1906

01:18:30,229 --> 01:18:28,159

you know

1907

01:18:31,830 --> 01:18:30,239

titillation i just really think that's

1908

01:18:34,229 --> 01:18:31,840

that's probably

1909

01:18:35,830 --> 01:18:34,239

the best guess that uh you know we we

1910

01:18:37,110 --> 01:18:35,840

hadn't been alone how long they've been

1911

01:18:40,790 --> 01:18:37,120

coming here

1912

01:18:44,390 --> 01:18:40,800

or whatever who knows and

1913

01:18:46,470 --> 01:18:44,400

um but but i suspect that there's

1914

01:18:49,750 --> 01:18:46,480

it's more than just uh

1915

01:18:52,149 --> 01:18:49,760

you know idle curiosity i mean they they

1916

01:18:54,470 --> 01:18:52,159

they're here if if they're here they're

1917

01:18:56,070 --> 01:18:54,480

here for a reason

1918

01:18:58,070 --> 01:18:56,080

uh if they're

1919

01:19:01,430 --> 01:18:58,080

community if they're not communicating

1920

01:19:04,390 --> 01:19:03,110

in a public sense

1921

01:19:06,470 --> 01:19:04,400

then

1922

01:19:09,669 --> 01:19:06,480

there's a reason for that

1923

01:19:14,149 --> 01:19:12,229

i i had a i brought this up probably

1924

01:19:17,110 --> 01:19:14,159

about five or six times on the show out

1925

01:19:20,390 --> 01:19:17,120

of 200 some odd episodes

1926

01:19:21,669 --> 01:19:20,400

and that is uh i spoke to someone

1927

01:19:24,709 --> 01:19:21,679

years ago

1928

01:19:26,630 --> 01:19:24,719

that told me they were part of

1929

01:19:28,070 --> 01:19:26,640

the air force that was investigating

1930

01:19:29,750 --> 01:19:28,080

ufos during

1931

01:19:31,350 --> 01:19:29,760

vietnam

1932

01:19:34,070 --> 01:19:31,360

and um

1933

01:19:34,950 --> 01:19:34,080

which wasn't supposed to be happening

1934

01:19:38,149 --> 01:19:34,960

or

1935

01:19:39,590 --> 01:19:38,159

i mean anyway the bottom line is

1936

01:19:42,390 --> 01:19:39,600

um

1937

01:19:45,750 --> 01:19:42,400

i asked why why were they you know what

1938

01:19:47,350 --> 01:19:45,760

are they and why are they here

1939

01:19:50,709 --> 01:19:47,360

and he said uh

1940

01:19:52,870 --> 01:19:50,719

he said uh because we're a petri dish

1941

01:19:54,470 --> 01:19:52,880

and i mean it was just like a blunt

1942

01:19:58,310 --> 01:19:54,480

statement like that

1943

01:19:59,669 --> 01:19:58,320

like we're being observed uh so i i just

1944

01:20:00,630 --> 01:19:59,679

thought it was an interesting statement

1945

01:20:02,630 --> 01:20:00,640

whether

1946

01:20:05,270 --> 01:20:02,640

he was uh

1947

01:20:09,830 --> 01:20:05,280

bs'ing or telling the truth

1948

01:20:14,870 --> 01:20:12,229

well there uh

1949

01:20:17,590 --> 01:20:14,880

there's some pretty pretty smart guys in

1950

01:20:19,030 --> 01:20:17,600

in academia that

1951

01:20:21,910 --> 01:20:19,040

let's just say a little bit out of the

1952

01:20:22,709 --> 01:20:21,920

mainstream because mainstream science is

1953

01:20:25,830 --> 01:20:22,719

uh

1954

01:20:29,590 --> 01:20:25,840

extremely conservative and

1955

01:20:33,750 --> 01:20:32,709

but there are there are some very bright

1956

01:20:37,189 --> 01:20:33,760

rebels

1957

01:20:38,390 --> 01:20:37,199

that believe uh and i i happen to share

1958

01:20:43,830 --> 01:20:38,400

this belief

1959

01:20:47,350 --> 01:20:45,430

that

1960

01:20:49,030 --> 01:20:47,360

you know this

1961

01:20:52,229 --> 01:20:49,040

you know the the whole

1962

01:20:54,310 --> 01:20:52,239

theory of evolution uh is just isn't is

1963

01:20:57,270 --> 01:20:54,320

something i personally

1964

01:21:01,350 --> 01:20:57,280

don't find much scientific merit for it

1965

01:21:03,830 --> 01:21:01,360

um or logic for it um yeah homo sapiens

1966

01:21:07,750 --> 01:21:03,840

when it comes to humans i agree with you

1967

01:21:09,189 --> 01:21:07,760

yeah uh when it comes to uh homo sapiens

1968

01:21:12,709 --> 01:21:09,199

uh you know

1969

01:21:15,910 --> 01:21:12,719

we uh we appeared very very rapidly yes

1970

01:21:18,470 --> 01:21:15,920

about 100 120 000 years ago it doesn't

1971

01:21:20,070 --> 01:21:18,480

make any sense i've said that i i know

1972

01:21:22,790 --> 01:21:20,080

this is a show about ufos but i've said

1973

01:21:25,350 --> 01:21:22,800

that a couple of times it just seems so

1974

01:21:26,790 --> 01:21:25,360

quickly as far as evolution to develop

1975

01:21:28,870 --> 01:21:26,800

like this

1976

01:21:31,590 --> 01:21:28,880

i mean uh

1977

01:21:37,750 --> 01:21:35,270

how how it was done who knows uh

1978

01:21:39,990 --> 01:21:37,760

you know was is it a completely

1979

01:21:41,990 --> 01:21:40,000

new species that was introduced from

1980

01:21:45,990 --> 01:21:42,000

somewhere or is it a is a genetic

1981

01:21:48,629 --> 01:21:46,000

modification who who knows uh how it was

1982

01:21:50,870 --> 01:21:48,639

done and you know i'll probably we'll

1983

01:21:53,350 --> 01:21:50,880

probably never know in our lifetime

1984

01:21:56,470 --> 01:21:53,360

and i'm not sure it it it makes any

1985

01:21:59,350 --> 01:21:56,480

difference but um you know the

1986

01:22:00,390 --> 01:21:59,360

extinction of neanderthal and

1987

01:22:03,430 --> 01:22:00,400

uh

1988

01:22:05,350 --> 01:22:03,440

you know did homo sapiens just simply

1989

01:22:08,550 --> 01:22:05,360

it's just are we just vicious killers

1990

01:22:11,510 --> 01:22:08,560

that put these guys out um or you know

1991

01:22:13,270 --> 01:22:11,520

did we interbreed with them or

1992

01:22:14,390 --> 01:22:13,280

uh

1993

01:22:16,950 --> 01:22:14,400

you know

1994

01:22:20,070 --> 01:22:16,960

it's just it just happened too quickly

1995

01:22:21,590 --> 01:22:20,080

and and they can you know hypothesize

1996

01:22:23,510 --> 01:22:21,600

all they want but i just think it's

1997

01:22:25,750 --> 01:22:23,520

foolishness i mean it's just

1998

01:22:27,189 --> 01:22:25,760

it's just much it's a much better

1999

01:22:28,950 --> 01:22:27,199

explanation

2000

01:22:32,790 --> 01:22:28,960

to

2001

01:22:37,110 --> 01:22:32,800

experiment

2002

01:22:41,750 --> 01:22:39,990

yeah but but mainstream science you know

2003

01:22:43,270 --> 01:22:41,760

or they just um

2004

01:22:45,350 --> 01:22:43,280

they can't handle it

2005

01:22:47,189 --> 01:22:45,360

because because they would be wrong you

2006

01:22:48,950 --> 01:22:47,199

know everything they've learned would be

2007

01:22:50,470 --> 01:22:48,960

wrong yeah they don't want to rewrite

2008

01:22:54,149 --> 01:22:50,480

the textbooks

2009

01:22:55,669 --> 01:22:54,159

no no it it it would be uh humiliating

2010

01:22:58,550 --> 01:22:55,679

and uh

2011

01:23:00,790 --> 01:22:58,560

you know their their arrogance is uh

2012

01:23:02,790 --> 01:23:00,800

is uh unbelievable

2013

01:23:05,189 --> 01:23:02,800

so

2014

01:23:07,270 --> 01:23:05,199

yeah i know you hear a lot about

2015

01:23:08,550 --> 01:23:07,280

how

2016

01:23:10,310 --> 01:23:08,560

that

2017

01:23:11,189 --> 01:23:10,320

there are discoveries

2018

01:23:13,189 --> 01:23:11,199

in

2019

01:23:15,189 --> 01:23:13,199

archaeology that

2020

01:23:17,430 --> 01:23:15,199

are that don't make any sense and you

2021

01:23:19,189 --> 01:23:17,440

just don't hear about them um there's

2022

01:23:21,750 --> 01:23:19,199

there's a question up on the message

2023

01:23:23,750 --> 01:23:21,760

board um

2024

01:23:26,229 --> 01:23:23,760

someone wants to know do you ever go sky

2025

01:23:28,629 --> 01:23:26,239

watching now

2026

01:23:30,390 --> 01:23:28,639

uh occasionally i do i mean when i go

2027

01:23:32,470 --> 01:23:30,400

out at night

2028

01:23:34,390 --> 01:23:32,480

i always look around

2029

01:23:36,470 --> 01:23:34,400

but you know i haven't i haven't seen

2030

01:23:39,510 --> 01:23:36,480

anything uh

2031

01:23:41,430 --> 01:23:39,520

in about 25 years um

2032

01:23:43,750 --> 01:23:41,440

so

2033

01:23:46,629 --> 01:23:43,760

you know i'm not i'm not looking looking

2034

01:23:48,709 --> 01:23:46,639

for anything but

2035

01:23:51,510 --> 01:23:48,719

well if if i saw something it would be

2036

01:23:53,270 --> 01:23:51,520

great but yeah i'm you know i've i've

2037

01:23:54,870 --> 01:23:53,280

had my moment i

2038

01:23:57,830 --> 01:23:54,880

i had my

2039

01:24:00,229 --> 01:23:57,840

my surprise and uh he's 12. that's

2040

01:24:03,189 --> 01:24:00,239

enough yeah enough for a lifetime

2041

01:24:05,270 --> 01:24:03,199

well you know it's since i've had

2042

01:24:09,189 --> 01:24:05,280

my sighting uh

2043

01:24:11,830 --> 01:24:09,199

which was only in 2006

2044

01:24:13,510 --> 01:24:11,840

um i am constantly

2045

01:24:15,510 --> 01:24:13,520

looking to the sky

2046

01:24:17,750 --> 01:24:15,520

and i think that's unlike

2047

01:24:19,270 --> 01:24:17,760

you know an average person you know once

2048

01:24:21,350 --> 01:24:19,280

you have a sighting i think it just kind

2049

01:24:22,790 --> 01:24:21,360

of changes the way you think about

2050

01:24:26,390 --> 01:24:22,800

things and

2051

01:24:27,830 --> 01:24:26,400

uh also changes uh the way you observe

2052

01:24:30,790 --> 01:24:27,840

because i think you know the average

2053

01:24:34,070 --> 01:24:30,800

person is not really even looking up in

2054

01:24:40,470 --> 01:24:37,350

i would agree um

2055

01:24:43,669 --> 01:24:40,480

when i say you know i had my moment uh

2056

01:24:44,390 --> 01:24:43,679

60 years ago i i i kind of feel like

2057

01:24:46,709 --> 01:24:44,400

i've

2058

01:24:48,950 --> 01:24:46,719

i had enough i mean

2059

01:24:51,030 --> 01:24:48,960

i don't need to see anything else it

2060

01:24:52,070 --> 01:24:51,040

might frighten me too bad

2061

01:24:54,070 --> 01:24:52,080

yeah

2062

01:24:56,790 --> 01:24:54,080

you know you deserve really frightened i

2063

01:25:00,229 --> 01:24:56,800

was really really scared as a 12 year

2064

01:25:03,830 --> 01:25:00,239

old really scared well kind of it's a

2065

01:25:06,390 --> 01:25:03,840

new uh paradigm basically when you

2066

01:25:09,189 --> 01:25:06,400

see something like that then

2067

01:25:10,709 --> 01:25:09,199

everything changes you know i mean

2068

01:25:12,709 --> 01:25:10,719

not not to everybody you know i've

2069

01:25:14,149 --> 01:25:12,719

talked to people that have had major

2070

01:25:16,070 --> 01:25:14,159

sightings and

2071

01:25:18,070 --> 01:25:16,080

it never they never think about it like

2072

01:25:20,229 --> 01:25:18,080

it just isn't they don't really care you

2073

01:25:21,030 --> 01:25:20,239

know i mean it surprises the heck out of

2074

01:25:22,470 --> 01:25:21,040

me

2075

01:25:25,030 --> 01:25:22,480

because i think it's

2076

01:25:28,390 --> 01:25:25,040

probably one of the most important uh

2077

01:25:32,550 --> 01:25:30,709

i i agree um

2078

01:25:35,990 --> 01:25:32,560

you know i

2079

01:25:39,910 --> 01:25:37,590

not not

2080

01:25:41,030 --> 01:25:39,920

for me it was very exciting but when you

2081

01:25:42,950 --> 01:25:41,040

when you

2082

01:25:44,629 --> 01:25:42,960

put it among all the sightings that you

2083

01:25:45,590 --> 01:25:44,639

know where people have actually seen a

2084

01:25:47,750 --> 01:25:45,600

craft

2085

01:25:51,189 --> 01:25:47,760

low you know at a low level or in a

2086

01:25:52,310 --> 01:25:51,199

field or you know come over the house or

2087

01:25:54,070 --> 01:25:52,320

or you know

2088

01:25:57,270 --> 01:25:54,080

i mean

2089

01:25:58,149 --> 01:25:57,280

my mind just pales by comparison

2090

01:25:59,990 --> 01:25:58,159

uh

2091

01:26:02,390 --> 01:26:00,000

and and certainly i would love to see

2092

01:26:05,590 --> 01:26:02,400

something like that but

2093

01:26:07,669 --> 01:26:05,600

i've seen enough uh to know

2094

01:26:09,990 --> 01:26:07,679

that they're real and

2095

01:26:13,590 --> 01:26:10,000

to me the rest is just a matter of

2096

01:26:18,390 --> 01:26:16,550

that we're not alone

2097

01:26:19,830 --> 01:26:18,400

there you know are there more than one

2098

01:26:21,669 --> 01:26:19,840

type out there

2099

01:26:24,470 --> 01:26:21,679

i mean if there's one type there's more

2100

01:26:28,310 --> 01:26:24,480

than one and are we being visited by

2101

01:26:32,470 --> 01:26:29,910

and will they ever

2102

01:26:35,590 --> 01:26:32,480

make themselves known to us

2103

01:26:39,110 --> 01:26:37,189

maybe in the past they have made

2104

01:26:42,229 --> 01:26:39,120

themselves known and that that that

2105

01:26:44,070 --> 01:26:42,239

knowledge was lost uh certainly

2106

01:26:45,110 --> 01:26:44,080

some of the uh

2107

01:26:45,910 --> 01:26:45,120

the old

2108

01:26:48,470 --> 01:26:45,920

uh

2109

01:26:50,629 --> 01:26:48,480

art that's you know found from you know

2110

01:26:52,709 --> 01:26:50,639

thousands of years ago makes you you

2111

01:26:54,950 --> 01:26:52,719

wonder if if they they really didn't

2112

01:26:56,629 --> 01:26:54,960

have some serious contact with these

2113

01:26:59,030 --> 01:26:56,639

these folks yeah there was a question

2114

01:27:01,030 --> 01:26:59,040

that came up on the message board

2115

01:27:03,189 --> 01:27:01,040

someone wanted to know what is your

2116

01:27:05,510 --> 01:27:03,199

thoughts on the ancient ancient alien

2117

01:27:07,350 --> 01:27:05,520

theories

2118

01:27:09,990 --> 01:27:07,360

probably so i mean if they're here if

2119

01:27:14,310 --> 01:27:10,000

they you know did they just show up in

2120

01:27:16,629 --> 01:27:14,320

uh 47 yeah for the first time uh i don't

2121

01:27:19,189 --> 01:27:16,639

think so um well

2122

01:27:22,310 --> 01:27:19,199

i mean there were sightings

2123

01:27:23,110 --> 01:27:22,320

all around before that so when you go

2124

01:27:25,270 --> 01:27:23,120

back

2125

01:27:27,669 --> 01:27:25,280

you can find them so

2126
01:27:30,709 --> 01:27:27,679
how long have they been coming

2127
01:27:32,709 --> 01:27:30,719
probably a long long time yeah

2128
01:27:34,149 --> 01:27:32,719
jacques valet and another author put

2129
01:27:35,110 --> 01:27:34,159
together a book

2130
01:27:38,070 --> 01:27:35,120
um

2131
01:27:40,709 --> 01:27:38,080
fairly recently that is about

2132
01:27:41,990 --> 01:27:40,719
ancient sightings which uh

2133
01:27:44,070 --> 01:27:42,000
is i

2134
01:27:47,510 --> 01:27:44,080
i would really like to read that that's

2135
01:27:49,270 --> 01:27:47,520
a very fascinating to me and yeah if

2136
01:27:50,870 --> 01:27:49,280
they're visiting now

2137
01:27:54,550 --> 01:27:50,880
um they could have been visiting a

2138
01:27:58,149 --> 01:27:55,510

uh

2139

01:28:00,390 --> 01:27:58,159

they they absolutely could have and

2140

01:28:01,510 --> 01:28:00,400

who knows what what they look like i

2141

01:28:05,030 --> 01:28:01,520

mean

2142

01:28:08,310 --> 01:28:05,040

some of the uh the the pictures i saw um

2143

01:28:10,229 --> 01:28:08,320

i don't know where uh ed ripple uh

2144

01:28:12,229 --> 01:28:10,239

got him but uh

2145

01:28:15,270 --> 01:28:12,239

there were some pretty scary

2146

01:28:17,350 --> 01:28:15,280

pretty pretty scary critters uh

2147

01:28:19,510 --> 01:28:17,360

that that he showed me pictures of and

2148

01:28:21,750 --> 01:28:19,520

and i didn't ever want to meet him i can

2149

01:28:23,270 --> 01:28:21,760

tell you that

2150

01:28:24,950 --> 01:28:23,280

now when you were

2151
01:28:26,709 --> 01:28:24,960
let's going back to that uh we have a

2152
01:28:29,510 --> 01:28:26,719
lot of people that are just joining the

2153
01:28:31,669 --> 01:28:29,520
show now and uh

2154
01:28:34,550 --> 01:28:31,679
so going back to that

2155
01:28:35,750 --> 01:28:34,560
this was a a notebook that you were

2156
01:28:37,189 --> 01:28:35,760
shown

2157
01:28:39,030 --> 01:28:37,199
and

2158
01:28:41,350 --> 01:28:39,040
would you say pardon me would you say

2159
01:28:43,030 --> 01:28:41,360
that there were a lot of pictures of

2160
01:28:43,990 --> 01:28:43,040
so-called aliens and some of them were

2161
01:28:46,950 --> 01:28:44,000
just

2162
01:28:48,390 --> 01:28:46,960
uh abstracts from uh comic books and

2163
01:28:51,189 --> 01:28:48,400

things like that

2164

01:28:52,629 --> 01:28:51,199

uh yeah it was a real it was a real mix

2165

01:28:53,590 --> 01:28:52,639

real mix

2166

01:28:56,950 --> 01:28:53,600

um

2167

01:28:58,550 --> 01:28:56,960

i mean you know it kind of looked like a

2168

01:29:01,189 --> 01:28:58,560

creature from the black lagoon or

2169

01:29:03,669 --> 01:29:01,199

something like that or lizard man and

2170

01:29:05,270 --> 01:29:03,679

some looked more like insects and

2171

01:29:07,669 --> 01:29:05,280

um

2172

01:29:11,669 --> 01:29:07,679

and some just didn't didn't seem to make

2173

01:29:13,990 --> 01:29:11,679

didn't look like anything uh but uh i do

2174

01:29:15,830 --> 01:29:14,000

remember the the little guy

2175

01:29:19,750 --> 01:29:15,840

uh gray fella

2176
01:29:22,550 --> 01:29:19,760
on the on the table and and that that

2177
01:29:24,390 --> 01:29:22,560
that that was a vivid image in in my

2178
01:29:27,430 --> 01:29:24,400
mind and uh

2179
01:29:29,590 --> 01:29:27,440
especially in 1956 i don't think i've

2180
01:29:30,950 --> 01:29:29,600
ever seen that before yeah that wasn't

2181
01:29:33,590 --> 01:29:30,960
really being shown

2182
01:29:35,030 --> 01:29:33,600
you know not like the alien autopsy film

2183
01:29:36,709 --> 01:29:35,040
that was a hoax

2184
01:29:38,709 --> 01:29:36,719
or anything like that you know this is

2185
01:29:40,790 --> 01:29:38,719
going back

2186
01:29:43,189 --> 01:29:40,800
but what even though it was a hoax it

2187
01:29:44,629 --> 01:29:43,199
was it was darn close to what what he

2188
01:29:48,629 --> 01:29:44,639

had a picture of

2189

01:29:57,030 --> 01:29:50,229

it was

2190

01:30:00,550 --> 01:29:57,040

um but my whole family is is

2191

01:30:04,310 --> 01:30:00,560

interested in in the subject matter uh

2192

01:30:06,870 --> 01:30:04,320

both both my daughters and my son have

2193

01:30:08,550 --> 01:30:06,880

have you know seeing things in the sky

2194

01:30:09,830 --> 01:30:08,560

that they thought were

2195

01:30:14,310 --> 01:30:09,840

were

2196

01:30:18,390 --> 01:30:15,910

you know we don't have any

2197

01:30:21,750 --> 01:30:18,400

evidence or you know photographs or

2198

01:30:24,310 --> 01:30:21,760

anything like that but

2199

01:30:26,229 --> 01:30:24,320

they're they're very open to the idea

2200

01:30:30,070 --> 01:30:26,239

and i think because we raised them to be

2201

01:30:32,550 --> 01:30:30,080

open-minded and uh to to the possibility

2202

01:30:34,950 --> 01:30:32,560

uh that that this is

2203

01:30:36,870 --> 01:30:34,960

you know what we what we perceive to be

2204

01:30:39,510 --> 01:30:36,880

uh reality uh

2205

01:30:41,110 --> 01:30:39,520

may not be quite exactly what what we

2206

01:30:42,390 --> 01:30:41,120

suppose it is

2207

01:30:44,950 --> 01:30:42,400

so um

2208

01:30:45,830 --> 01:30:44,960

they they have um

2209

01:30:50,149 --> 01:30:45,840

been

2210

01:30:51,350 --> 01:30:50,159

i've shared the story with them of

2211

01:30:53,510 --> 01:30:51,360

course and

2212

01:30:55,910 --> 01:30:53,520

that's that's how you know my daughter i

2213

01:30:57,189 --> 01:30:55,920

just got me to come out of the closet so

2214

01:30:57,990 --> 01:30:57,199

to speak

2215

01:31:00,550 --> 01:30:58,000

and

2216

01:31:02,470 --> 01:31:00,560

be open about it how old was your

2217

01:31:03,510 --> 01:31:02,480

daughter when you told her the one that

2218

01:31:06,390 --> 01:31:03,520

has

2219

01:31:08,870 --> 01:31:06,400

interest in you know in in ufos and

2220

01:31:11,430 --> 01:31:08,880

mufon and all that how old was she when

2221

01:31:14,550 --> 01:31:11,440

you told her the story

2222

01:31:18,310 --> 01:31:16,709

she was not in college yet so she must

2223

01:31:23,270 --> 01:31:18,320

have been

2224

01:31:24,310 --> 01:31:23,280

school

2225

01:31:26,070 --> 01:31:24,320

when uh

2226

01:31:28,629 --> 01:31:26,080

we went to the

2227

01:31:33,510 --> 01:31:31,350

went to the um

2228

01:31:35,030 --> 01:31:33,520

the christmas party uh that was held by

2229

01:31:36,870 --> 01:31:35,040

mufon

2230

01:31:39,590 --> 01:31:36,880

so she was one of she was the youngest

2231

01:31:41,750 --> 01:31:39,600

person in the mufon group

2232

01:31:42,830 --> 01:31:41,760

and uh

2233

01:31:45,830 --> 01:31:42,840

really

2234

01:31:47,590 --> 01:31:45,840

um that was that was very fortunate

2235

01:31:50,310 --> 01:31:47,600

because i i don't know if i ever would

2236

01:31:51,510 --> 01:31:50,320

have really uh opened up about it

2237

01:31:54,149 --> 01:31:51,520

but uh

2238

01:31:57,189 --> 01:31:54,159

meeting meeting the the other people and

2239

01:32:03,830 --> 01:32:00,950

that were involved in it was

2240

01:32:04,629 --> 01:32:03,840

really insightful uh and helpful to me

2241

01:32:07,590 --> 01:32:04,639

to

2242

01:32:09,510 --> 01:32:07,600

recognize what what had happened

2243

01:32:11,430 --> 01:32:09,520

and it was not just a

2244

01:32:13,669 --> 01:32:11,440

quirk of fate but

2245

01:32:16,790 --> 01:32:13,679

and the subsequent

2246

01:32:18,310 --> 01:32:16,800

research that i've done by being able to

2247

01:32:19,990 --> 01:32:18,320

thank goodness again for the internet

2248

01:32:22,629 --> 01:32:20,000

that i was able to

2249

01:32:24,149 --> 01:32:22,639

recognize and identify the two officers

2250

01:32:25,830 --> 01:32:24,159

who came to see me

2251
01:32:27,750 --> 01:32:25,840
someone wanted to know earlier that a

2252
01:32:30,390 --> 01:32:27,760
message up on the board

2253
01:32:33,110 --> 01:32:30,400
um wanted to ask you if you were a

2254
01:32:35,590 --> 01:32:33,120
hundred percent sure that's who it was

2255
01:32:39,830 --> 01:32:37,590
100

2256
01:32:42,550 --> 01:32:39,840
wow yeah

2257
01:32:44,229 --> 01:32:42,560
amazing um

2258
01:32:46,950 --> 01:32:44,239
i would say

2259
01:32:49,910 --> 01:32:48,149
as far as

2260
01:32:52,229 --> 01:32:49,920
lieutenant olsen

2261
01:32:54,070 --> 01:32:52,239
um

2262
01:32:55,669 --> 01:32:54,080
the guy i saw the picture of is a

2263
01:32:57,189 --> 01:32:55,679

deadbringer

2264

01:32:58,950 --> 01:32:57,199

now

2265

01:33:00,790 --> 01:32:58,960

there's only one picture of olson i

2266

01:33:04,390 --> 01:33:00,800

could ever find on

2267

01:33:06,950 --> 01:33:04,400

anywhere so i don't have all that ropel

2268

01:33:09,910 --> 01:33:06,960

has multiple pictures

2269

01:33:13,110 --> 01:33:09,920

at different stages of his career and

2270

01:33:15,990 --> 01:33:13,120

and so when i say it was ed ruppeld

2271

01:33:18,950 --> 01:33:16,000

ain't no doubt in my mind

2272

01:33:23,830 --> 01:33:20,070

it was him

2273

01:33:27,590 --> 01:33:23,840

no question no question in my mind

2274

01:33:29,110 --> 01:33:27,600

yeah yeah well you know this has been um

2275

01:33:30,870 --> 01:33:29,120

really interesting we still have a

2276

01:33:32,950 --> 01:33:30,880

little while to go here but

2277

01:33:35,110 --> 01:33:32,960

i think uh one of the most uh

2278

01:33:36,709 --> 01:33:35,120

interesting parts of your story is your

2279

01:33:38,470 --> 01:33:36,719

father that uh

2280

01:33:40,229 --> 01:33:38,480

um

2281

01:33:42,550 --> 01:33:40,239

basically

2282

01:33:43,510 --> 01:33:42,560

when he was threatened to never talk

2283

01:33:46,229 --> 01:33:43,520

about

2284

01:33:48,390 --> 01:33:46,239

ufos i mean it must have really sparked

2285

01:33:51,189 --> 01:33:48,400

your curiosity enough

2286

01:33:53,270 --> 01:33:51,199

to want to you know get more information

2287

01:33:56,709 --> 01:33:53,280

out of him

2288

01:33:58,950 --> 01:33:56,719

it did um but but he made it clear that

2289

01:34:00,790 --> 01:33:58,960

uh that was a

2290

01:34:02,550 --> 01:34:00,800

a closed area

2291

01:34:04,470 --> 01:34:02,560

yeah and uh

2292

01:34:05,910 --> 01:34:04,480

we weren't going to go there in in

2293

01:34:07,910 --> 01:34:05,920

discussions

2294

01:34:11,750 --> 01:34:07,920

um

2295

01:34:13,430 --> 01:34:11,760

but he uh he was kind of a spooky guy

2296

01:34:14,470 --> 01:34:13,440

and uh

2297

01:34:17,669 --> 01:34:14,480

you know

2298

01:34:17,679 --> 01:34:21,510

he he just never

2299

01:34:24,950 --> 01:34:23,189

talked much about

2300

01:34:28,229 --> 01:34:24,960

anything until

2301
01:34:35,350 --> 01:34:31,590
and he never talked about

2302
01:34:36,709 --> 01:34:35,360
what he did during the war um

2303
01:34:39,669 --> 01:34:36,719
very much

2304
01:34:41,510 --> 01:34:39,679
uh typical of of that generation the

2305
01:34:43,350 --> 01:34:41,520
great generation oh yeah

2306
01:34:45,030 --> 01:34:43,360
we're doing our jobs and

2307
01:34:48,390 --> 01:34:45,040
that was it well they were they were

2308
01:34:50,550 --> 01:34:48,400
doing more than just jobs

2309
01:34:51,990 --> 01:34:50,560
these were

2310
01:34:53,990 --> 01:34:52,000
remarkable

2311
01:34:57,189 --> 01:34:54,000
people and

2312
01:34:58,629 --> 01:34:57,199
you know how he survived

2313
01:35:02,310 --> 01:34:58,639

you know

2314

01:35:05,350 --> 01:35:02,320

two two plane crashes where amazing

2315

01:35:07,990 --> 01:35:05,360

basically basically they were shot down

2316

01:35:11,590 --> 01:35:10,070

he was um

2317

01:35:12,830 --> 01:35:11,600

he was a real

2318

01:35:16,149 --> 01:35:12,840

tough guy

2319

01:35:18,149 --> 01:35:16,159

uh purple heart wounded i mean you know

2320

01:35:19,750 --> 01:35:18,159

he said oh yeah we were all shot up it

2321

01:35:22,629 --> 01:35:19,760

kind of like

2322

01:35:24,950 --> 01:35:22,639

oh yeah we all got shot but uh you know

2323

01:35:27,270 --> 01:35:24,960

took her we took our lumps but we didn't

2324

01:35:29,750 --> 01:35:27,280

i never lost anybody

2325

01:35:31,189 --> 01:35:29,760

and he was really really proud of of

2326

01:35:32,950 --> 01:35:31,199

that he said everybody wanted to fly

2327

01:35:36,790 --> 01:35:32,960

with him in fact

2328

01:35:39,030 --> 01:35:36,800

in 12 o'clock high the movie um

2329

01:35:40,709 --> 01:35:39,040

there was an incident where i think they

2330

01:35:44,870 --> 01:35:40,719

had the chaplain or somebody was

2331

01:35:50,149 --> 01:35:47,510

to because they always wanted

2332

01:35:53,030 --> 01:35:50,159

to to see the the bombs drop

2333

01:35:55,590 --> 01:35:53,040

and they they had a rough time or almost

2334

01:35:57,430 --> 01:35:55,600

got shot down or whatever it was and

2335

01:35:59,189 --> 01:35:57,440

that actually happened

2336

01:36:00,709 --> 01:35:59,199

to my dad when

2337

01:36:04,390 --> 01:36:00,719

they were

2338

01:36:05,510 --> 01:36:04,400

on a bombing mission and

2339

01:36:08,470 --> 01:36:05,520

they were

2340

01:36:10,550 --> 01:36:08,480

shot up pretty bad by by measure between

2341

01:36:12,870 --> 01:36:10,560

the flack and the mesher smiths

2342

01:36:15,109 --> 01:36:12,880

uh he said they were down to two engines

2343

01:36:17,830 --> 01:36:15,119

and and just limping

2344

01:36:19,990 --> 01:36:17,840

and he he said he went on the pa and he

2345

01:36:21,430 --> 01:36:20,000

said okay guys he says we got we got

2346

01:36:22,390 --> 01:36:21,440

three choices

2347

01:36:23,430 --> 01:36:22,400

one

2348

01:36:26,310 --> 01:36:23,440

he says

2349

01:36:27,910 --> 01:36:26,320

we can bail out now and uh be prisoners

2350

01:36:28,950 --> 01:36:27,920

of war

2351

01:36:30,470 --> 01:36:28,960

two

2352

01:36:32,950 --> 01:36:30,480

we can uh

2353

01:36:33,910 --> 01:36:32,960

fly to the champ you know get to the the

2354

01:36:38,870 --> 01:36:33,920

channel

2355

01:36:41,270 --> 01:36:38,880

hope they'll pick us up or three

2356

01:36:44,629 --> 01:36:41,280

we can just hold on for dear life and

2357

01:36:49,030 --> 01:36:44,639

try to get back to to dry land and he

2358

01:36:50,709 --> 01:36:49,040

says it was unanimous uh loud vote get

2359

01:36:52,870 --> 01:36:50,719

us back home

2360

01:36:55,109 --> 01:36:52,880

they didn't want to jump out

2361

01:36:56,950 --> 01:36:55,119

they didn't want to ditch they wanted to

2362

01:36:59,430 --> 01:36:56,960

get back home well he said when they

2363

01:37:00,950 --> 01:36:59,440

came across the coast of england

2364

01:37:04,310 --> 01:37:00,960

actually i think he said they were up

2365

01:37:06,709 --> 01:37:04,320

north uh in in scotland

2366

01:37:08,470 --> 01:37:06,719

he said we were about a hundred feet

2367

01:37:11,030 --> 01:37:08,480

above the tree line

2368

01:37:13,270 --> 01:37:11,040

and he says no way were we getting back

2369

01:37:15,669 --> 01:37:13,280

to base so he said i was going to have

2370

01:37:18,229 --> 01:37:15,679

to put it down and he said you know it

2371

01:37:20,870 --> 01:37:18,239

was a big old swampy area he said so i

2372

01:37:23,189 --> 01:37:20,880

found i said looking you know he said

2373

01:37:25,669 --> 01:37:23,199

i'm going to find me two big trees and

2374

01:37:28,229 --> 01:37:25,679

so he went between two big trees so it

2375

01:37:30,629 --> 01:37:28,239

would shear off the wings

2376

01:37:31,910 --> 01:37:30,639

and the fuselage would just go

2377

01:37:34,950 --> 01:37:31,920

go forward

2378

01:37:36,709 --> 01:37:34,960

and and so uh he said just just as we

2379

01:37:38,229 --> 01:37:36,719

came in i told everybody i said okay

2380

01:37:39,510 --> 01:37:38,239

hold on and duck

2381

01:37:42,470 --> 01:37:39,520

and he said we

2382

01:37:44,229 --> 01:37:42,480

uh the the co-pilot the navigator now

2383

01:37:45,270 --> 01:37:44,239

ducked and he says a good thing we did

2384

01:37:48,790 --> 01:37:45,280

because

2385

01:37:50,790 --> 01:37:48,800

the the water from the swamp blew the

2386

01:37:52,870 --> 01:37:50,800

windshield over their heads it would

2387

01:37:55,510 --> 01:37:52,880

have decapitated them had they been

2388

01:37:58,070 --> 01:37:55,520

looking up and uh he said of course the

2389

01:38:01,830 --> 01:37:58,080

whole the whole plane was filled with

2390

01:38:03,910 --> 01:38:01,840

water and uh in mud and but it stopped

2391

01:38:06,470 --> 01:38:03,920

he said pretty pretty quickly

2392

01:38:08,629 --> 01:38:06,480

and they had uh i believe

2393

01:38:10,310 --> 01:38:08,639

i never can remember it was 11 or 12 man

2394

01:38:12,790 --> 01:38:10,320

crew but let's just say for the sake of

2395

01:38:14,470 --> 01:38:12,800

arguments 11-man crew so he said they

2396

01:38:16,790 --> 01:38:14,480

had a they had a drill that they had

2397

01:38:19,270 --> 01:38:16,800

worked on if they ever had that happen

2398

01:38:20,790 --> 01:38:19,280

everybody would get out and assemble

2399

01:38:22,390 --> 01:38:20,800

about

2400

01:38:24,709 --> 01:38:22,400

50 meters

2401

01:38:25,830 --> 01:38:24,719

in front of the fuselage in front of the

2402

01:38:28,070 --> 01:38:25,840

the nose

2403

01:38:29,750 --> 01:38:28,080

so he said everybody kind of you know

2404

01:38:31,430 --> 01:38:29,760

bailed out of course they had no no

2405

01:38:32,709 --> 01:38:31,440

communications because everything was

2406

01:38:33,750 --> 01:38:32,719

shot

2407

01:38:36,550 --> 01:38:33,760

and so

2408

01:38:38,950 --> 01:38:36,560

he said they all they all piled piled

2409

01:38:39,990 --> 01:38:38,960

out and you know everybody seemed to be

2410

01:38:42,070 --> 01:38:40,000

okay

2411

01:38:43,910 --> 01:38:42,080

and he looked he looked at everybody and

2412

01:38:46,470 --> 01:38:43,920

everybody was coated in mud he said it

2413

01:38:47,430 --> 01:38:46,480

was like a minstrel show

2414

01:38:49,590 --> 01:38:47,440

this is

2415

01:38:50,709 --> 01:38:49,600

like you know we're all

2416

01:38:52,870 --> 01:38:50,719

dark

2417

01:38:55,189 --> 01:38:52,880

and so he counted he said okay let's

2418

01:38:58,629 --> 01:38:55,199

count one two three four five six again

2419

01:38:59,990 --> 01:38:58,639

all the way 11 12. no that can't be

2420

01:39:01,270 --> 01:39:00,000

right so i'm going to count one more

2421

01:39:03,350 --> 01:39:01,280

time

2422

01:39:06,790 --> 01:39:03,360

yeah they had an extra one on board so

2423

01:39:09,590 --> 01:39:06,800

he counted again in 11 12. so he

2424

01:39:12,310 --> 01:39:09,600

pulls out his colt 45 and says don't

2425

01:39:14,550 --> 01:39:12,320

anybody move we got a freaking saboteur

2426

01:39:17,510 --> 01:39:14,560

on board

2427

01:39:21,030 --> 01:39:17,520

this one guy said uh commander commander

2428

01:39:22,310 --> 01:39:21,040

gaines it's uh it's me uh so-and-so he

2429

01:39:25,430 --> 01:39:22,320

says uh

2430

01:39:27,510 --> 01:39:25,440

i the guy snuck me on and so

2431

01:39:29,270 --> 01:39:27,520

he told him he said uh

2432

01:39:30,709 --> 01:39:29,280

he said i always wanted to go on a

2433

01:39:33,990 --> 01:39:30,719

mission because all i did was load the

2434

01:39:36,950 --> 01:39:34,000

bombs and i wanted to see what happened

2435

01:39:39,590 --> 01:39:36,960

jesus i promise he's just throw away

2436

01:39:41,910 --> 01:39:39,600

lord marshall i i'll never do it again

2437

01:39:44,390 --> 01:39:41,920

so my dad said okay

2438

01:39:46,070 --> 01:39:44,400

don't ever do it and that scene

2439

01:39:50,390 --> 01:39:46,080

something similar to that was in 12

2440

01:39:51,430 --> 01:39:50,400

o'clock high that movie how about that

2441

01:39:53,189 --> 01:39:51,440

going back

2442

01:39:54,709 --> 01:39:53,199

all the way back uh

2443

01:39:56,629 --> 01:39:54,719

we have a question up on the message

2444

01:39:58,950 --> 01:39:56,639

board i think a pretty good one

2445

01:39:59,910 --> 01:39:58,960

and we only have about five minutes left

2446

01:40:02,870 --> 01:39:59,920

here but

2447

01:40:07,189 --> 01:40:02,880

going back to the videos that you were

2448

01:40:08,870 --> 01:40:07,199

shown by the two air force officers

2449

01:40:10,790 --> 01:40:08,880

can you describe

2450

01:40:13,109 --> 01:40:10,800

what they actually showed you you know

2451

01:40:15,430 --> 01:40:13,119

some you said you've seen before

2452

01:40:18,149 --> 01:40:15,440

but uh were there some like really

2453

01:40:19,669 --> 01:40:18,159

interesting ones this goes back to 1956

2454

01:40:21,750 --> 01:40:19,679

so there couldn't have been

2455

01:40:22,950 --> 01:40:21,760

well actually there was quite a bit of

2456

01:40:25,750 --> 01:40:22,960

filming in the

2457

01:40:27,910 --> 01:40:25,760

52 and stuff like that but uh

2458

01:40:29,430 --> 01:40:27,920

can you describe more of what you saw do

2459

01:40:31,270 --> 01:40:29,440

you remember

2460

01:40:33,990 --> 01:40:31,280

well these these were all

2461

01:40:37,189 --> 01:40:34,000

films uh you know it was a film they

2462

01:40:38,790 --> 01:40:37,199

showed me uh there was no video in those

2463

01:40:40,229 --> 01:40:38,800

days well that's what it meant filmed

2464

01:40:43,189 --> 01:40:40,239

yeah i know it was a projector and a

2465

01:40:45,270 --> 01:40:43,199

screen you know projector and and it was

2466

01:40:47,030 --> 01:40:45,280

a film of a film

2467

01:40:49,990 --> 01:40:47,040

and and uh

2468

01:40:51,189 --> 01:40:50,000

the film quality was not good i mean it

2469

01:40:53,350 --> 01:40:51,199

was jerky

2470

01:40:56,310 --> 01:40:53,360

and and you would you could see the

2471

01:40:58,470 --> 01:40:56,320

objects you know moving around and

2472

01:41:00,870 --> 01:40:58,480

and it was more more trying to find out

2473

01:41:02,709 --> 01:41:00,880

is that is that similar to what you saw

2474

01:41:05,270 --> 01:41:02,719

they were trying to get a visualization

2475

01:41:08,950 --> 01:41:05,280

of what i saw

2476

01:41:10,149 --> 01:41:08,960

they never actually showed me anything

2477

01:41:12,390 --> 01:41:10,159

that was

2478

01:41:14,870 --> 01:41:12,400

like what i saw i said well it's a light

2479

01:41:15,830 --> 01:41:14,880

it's bright and

2480

01:41:17,830 --> 01:41:15,840

you know

2481

01:41:20,550 --> 01:41:17,840

some some of the shapes were were kind

2482

01:41:23,830 --> 01:41:20,560

of a little bit oblong looking

2483

01:41:29,030 --> 01:41:26,470

but i had i had seen

2484

01:41:31,109 --> 01:41:29,040

i guess in the movie or something

2485

01:41:32,629 --> 01:41:31,119

somewhere i had seen one of those films

2486

01:41:34,229 --> 01:41:32,639

because i remember saying oh i've seen

2487

01:41:36,149 --> 01:41:34,239

that before

2488

01:41:37,350 --> 01:41:36,159

but that's not what i saw

2489

01:41:39,910 --> 01:41:37,360

and

2490

01:41:41,990 --> 01:41:39,920

i wish i could remember everything they

2491

01:41:43,270 --> 01:41:42,000

they showed me but

2492

01:41:48,149 --> 01:41:43,280

it was

2493

01:41:50,390 --> 01:41:48,159

newsreel of you know one

2494

01:41:52,390 --> 01:41:50,400

and one after another and and there was

2495

01:41:54,470 --> 01:41:52,400

nothing in between

2496

01:41:55,629 --> 01:41:54,480

that i recall like okay this is los

2497

01:42:00,149 --> 01:41:55,639

alamos

2498

01:42:01,669 --> 01:42:00,159

1948 this is topeka kansas 1950 or i

2499

01:42:02,790 --> 01:42:01,679

mean there's nothing to say what it was

2500

01:42:05,189 --> 01:42:02,800

it was just

2501
01:42:06,870 --> 01:42:05,199
here's here's the raw data is what about

2502
01:42:09,189 --> 01:42:06,880
this what about that

2503
01:42:11,030 --> 01:42:09,199
well i'd love to see that reel today

2504
01:42:13,350 --> 01:42:11,040
oh wouldn't i wouldn't i love to see the

2505
01:42:15,030 --> 01:42:13,360
field notes and and everything that they

2506
01:42:17,189 --> 01:42:15,040
had um

2507
01:42:19,910 --> 01:42:17,199
they don't destroy that stuff

2508
01:42:21,510 --> 01:42:19,920
we know that it's it's it's it's in a

2509
01:42:23,189 --> 01:42:21,520
vault somewhere

2510
01:42:24,070 --> 01:42:23,199
um

2511
01:42:26,950 --> 01:42:24,080
where

2512
01:42:28,070 --> 01:42:26,960
uh we we don't know

2513
01:42:30,629 --> 01:42:28,080

yeah

2514

01:42:33,990 --> 01:42:30,639

try i'm trying to find out where those

2515

01:42:36,310 --> 01:42:34,000

records might be i understand that that

2516

01:42:38,870 --> 01:42:36,320

captain ruppel's

2517

01:42:41,430 --> 01:42:38,880

personal notes and records

2518

01:42:43,830 --> 01:42:41,440

uh actually at one time and they may

2519

01:42:46,390 --> 01:42:43,840

still be at the heineken center

2520

01:42:48,470 --> 01:42:46,400

uh i've i've commun i've

2521

01:42:50,550 --> 01:42:48,480

called them written to them and and i

2522

01:42:52,550 --> 01:42:50,560

can't get an answer nobody ever answers

2523

01:42:56,790 --> 01:42:52,560

the phone nobody ever

2524

01:43:00,790 --> 01:42:59,189

i think there's a retired i can't

2525

01:43:02,629 --> 01:43:00,800

remember his name offhand but there's a

2526

01:43:04,950 --> 01:43:02,639

retired professor

2527

01:43:07,750 --> 01:43:04,960

who has written a very exhaustive book

2528

01:43:09,910 --> 01:43:07,760

uh on on the subject and probably has

2529

01:43:13,189 --> 01:43:09,920

more information on ripple than anybody

2530

01:43:15,270 --> 01:43:13,199

else but i've been unable to

2531

01:43:16,950 --> 01:43:15,280

get in contact with him

2532

01:43:18,149 --> 01:43:16,960

so if anybody you know out in the

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01:43:20,870 --> 01:43:18,159

audience

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01:43:22,390 --> 01:43:20,880

knows some of these uh guys that

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01:43:25,510 --> 01:43:22,400

are prominent

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01:43:28,149 --> 01:43:25,520

that could could help me

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01:43:30,229 --> 01:43:28,159

find those notes i'd love to see

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01:43:31,510 --> 01:43:30,239

i'd love to hear the the reel to reel

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01:43:33,270 --> 01:43:31,520

i'd love to hear

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01:43:34,870 --> 01:43:33,280

i'd like to hear my 12 year old voice

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01:43:36,629 --> 01:43:34,880

telling the story

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01:43:39,109 --> 01:43:36,639

i'd like to see the i'd like to see

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01:43:42,550 --> 01:43:39,119

those scrapbooks one more time and see

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01:43:44,470 --> 01:43:42,560

how much is is real and how much is is

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01:43:46,790 --> 01:43:44,480

what i may have imagined

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01:43:48,870 --> 01:43:46,800

in 60 years since then right so if

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01:43:52,070 --> 01:43:48,880

anyone's out there listening that can

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01:43:54,070 --> 01:43:52,080

somehow get any of this access or

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01:43:55,990 --> 01:43:54,080

stumble across it they can always get a

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01:43:57,830 --> 01:43:56,000

hold of me and i can reach out to you so

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01:43:59,910 --> 01:43:57,840

thank you so much

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01:44:01,430 --> 01:43:59,920

for the show this evening

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01:44:03,350 --> 01:44:01,440

it's a it's a pleasure i hope i didn't

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01:44:06,229 --> 01:44:03,360

talk your ear off well that's what

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01:44:08,149 --> 01:44:06,239

you're supposed to do

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01:44:10,470 --> 01:44:08,159

well it was it was great being able to

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01:44:12,070 --> 01:44:10,480

share and uh i'm sure i must have left

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01:44:13,910 --> 01:44:12,080

something out along the way but i've

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01:44:16,229 --> 01:44:13,920

tried to be as um

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01:44:19,109 --> 01:44:16,239

as comprehensive as i could yeah it was

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01:44:20,790 --> 01:44:19,119

great all right thanks a lot

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01:44:23,990 --> 01:44:20,800

you're welcome martin and thank you for

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01:44:26,470 --> 01:44:24,000

having me on take care bye

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01:44:28,550 --> 01:44:26,480

all right so that's it for tonight thank

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01:44:30,470 --> 01:44:28,560

you so much for watching and

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01:44:32,470 --> 01:44:30,480

remember we'll be back next week with

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01:44:35,350 --> 01:44:32,480

chris chris leto

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01:44:38,240 --> 01:44:35,360

and remember also to keep your eyes to

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01:44:47,560 --> 01:44:38,250

the sky