

SOMEWHERE IN THE SKIES  
CASE FILES

The Lake Erie  
UFO Incident

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00:00:07,310 --> 00:00:15,990

[Music]

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00:00:21,590 --> 00:00:19,189

friday march 4th 1988

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00:00:23,910 --> 00:00:21,600

all four members of the baker family

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00:00:25,670 --> 00:00:23,920

were driving home following their usual

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00:00:29,109 --> 00:00:25,680

friday night meal

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00:00:31,589 --> 00:00:29,119

it was a little after 8 30 p.m henry the

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00:00:33,430 --> 00:00:31,599

father was driving and the two children

8  
00:00:35,670 --> 00:00:33,440

were in the backseat the heavily

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00:00:38,470 --> 00:00:35,680

pregnant sheila the mother looked out

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00:00:39,830 --> 00:00:38,480

the passenger window at the frozen lake

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00:00:43,270 --> 00:00:39,840

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12  
00:00:46,630 --> 00:00:43,280

the ice almost shined in the moonlight

13  
00:00:48,950 --> 00:00:46,640

then she saw something strangely lit

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00:00:51,189 --> 00:00:48,960

looking as if it was rocking on the

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00:00:53,110 --> 00:00:51,199

surface of the lake

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00:00:55,510 --> 00:00:53,120

she nudged her husband who took his

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00:00:57,750 --> 00:00:55,520

attention away from the road

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00:01:00,069 --> 00:00:57,760

he could see it also

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00:01:03,029 --> 00:01:00,079

bachila's insistence he would turn the

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00:01:05,350 --> 00:01:03,039

car's direction towards the waterfront

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00:01:07,510 --> 00:01:05,360

once there they instructed their sons to

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00:01:09,750 --> 00:01:07,520

remain in the vehicle

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00:01:12,390 --> 00:01:09,760

they stepped out into the cold night and

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00:01:14,149 --> 00:01:12,400

began to cautiously make their way to

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00:01:16,870 --> 00:01:14,159

the water's edge

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00:01:19,030 --> 00:01:16,880

the lights were still there

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00:01:21,270 --> 00:01:19,040

what sheila first noticed though were

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00:01:23,910 --> 00:01:21,280

sounds that appeared to be the ice of

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00:01:27,510 --> 00:01:23,920

the frozen lake cracking

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00:01:29,350 --> 00:01:27,520

she would liken them to claps of thunder

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00:01:31,510 --> 00:01:29,360

as they got as near as they could

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00:01:33,990 --> 00:01:31,520

without stepping on the ice they could

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00:01:36,390 --> 00:01:34,000

clearly make out a football shaped

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00:01:37,749 --> 00:01:36,400

object with bright white lights at

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00:01:40,149 --> 00:01:37,759

either end

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00:01:42,950 --> 00:01:40,159

the object itself appeared to be of a

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00:01:44,950 --> 00:01:42,960

gunmetal gray color and was hovering

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00:01:46,230 --> 00:01:44,960

overhead as opposed to being on the

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00:01:48,870 --> 00:01:46,240

surface

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00:01:52,149 --> 00:01:48,880

despite the obvious movement the strange

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00:01:54,789 --> 00:01:52,159

craft made no noise whatsoever

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00:01:56,789 --> 00:01:54,799

all sheila could hear were the sounds of

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00:01:58,789 --> 00:01:56,799

cracking ice

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00:02:01,590 --> 00:01:58,799

suddenly as if it had become aware of

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00:02:04,149 --> 00:02:01,600

their presence the objects swung towards

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00:02:05,990 --> 00:02:04,159

them heading in their direction

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00:02:09,109 --> 00:02:06,000

panicked and frightened the couple

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00:02:10,949 --> 00:02:09,119

turned and ran back to their car

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00:02:14,229 --> 00:02:10,959

henry would drive the remainder of the

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00:02:16,070 --> 00:02:14,239

journey completely uneasy

51  
00:02:18,869 --> 00:02:16,080  
once the bakers arrived at their home

52  
00:02:20,790 --> 00:02:18,879  
and settled their children to bed sheila

53  
00:02:23,670 --> 00:02:20,800  
would contact the police to report the

54  
00:02:25,589 --> 00:02:23,680  
sighting the police would tell her that

55  
00:02:27,030 --> 00:02:25,599  
she would have to make the report to the

56  
00:02:28,869 --> 00:02:27,040  
coast guard

57  
00:02:31,110 --> 00:02:28,879  
she did and despite their initial

58  
00:02:33,190 --> 00:02:31,120  
refusal to deal with the case they

59  
00:02:35,990 --> 00:02:33,200  
eventually agreed to pick them up and

60  
00:02:38,470 --> 00:02:36,000  
take them back to the waterfront

61  
00:02:40,309 --> 00:02:38,480  
meanwhile the bakers could clearly see

62  
00:02:42,710 --> 00:02:40,319  
the object hovering over the lake from

63  
00:02:45,190 --> 00:02:42,720

the window of their house

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00:02:48,309 --> 00:02:45,200

as they watched six independent

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00:02:51,589 --> 00:02:48,319

triangular objects suddenly emerged from

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00:02:54,150 --> 00:02:51,599

the larger craft they would move around

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00:02:57,430 --> 00:02:54,160

the main object in a darting motion

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00:02:59,750 --> 00:02:57,440

before halting to a complete stop

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00:03:02,229 --> 00:02:59,760

these triangular objects would then move

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00:03:04,790 --> 00:03:02,239

in the direction of the peri-nuclear

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00:03:06,630 --> 00:03:04,800

power plant nearby

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00:03:08,550 --> 00:03:06,640

the bakers would ask their neighbor to

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00:03:10,470 --> 00:03:08,560

watch their children and when the coast

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00:03:12,070 --> 00:03:10,480

guard arrived they would accompany them

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00:03:14,790 --> 00:03:12,080

back to the lake

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00:03:16,229 --> 00:03:14,800

according to the officers james power

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00:03:18,229 --> 00:03:16,239

and john knob

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00:03:20,710 --> 00:03:18,239

several other reports including from

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00:03:22,630 --> 00:03:20,720

their own employees had come in

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00:03:24,789 --> 00:03:22,640

regarding the object

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00:03:27,589 --> 00:03:24,799

as the coast guard's vehicle pulled up

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00:03:29,990 --> 00:03:27,599

at the waterfront the smaller triangular

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00:03:31,830 --> 00:03:30,000

objects were once again circling the

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00:03:33,750 --> 00:03:31,840

main craft

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00:03:37,350 --> 00:03:33,760

as soon as the coast guards opened their

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00:03:39,430 --> 00:03:37,360

car doors the sound of rumbling ice met

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00:03:41,830 --> 00:03:39,440

everyone's ears

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00:03:44,390 --> 00:03:41,840

this noise was constant as if the

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00:03:48,149 --> 00:03:44,400

object's purpose was to crack the ice

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00:03:50,229 --> 00:03:48,159

and gain access to the water below

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00:03:54,070 --> 00:03:50,239

the coast guard's report would state

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00:03:55,990 --> 00:03:54,080

that the ice was crackling and moving

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00:03:58,869 --> 00:03:56,000

whenever the object came closer to the

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00:04:00,470 --> 00:03:58,879

surface the cracking sounds became more

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00:04:02,309 --> 00:04:00,480

intense

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00:04:04,309 --> 00:04:02,319

the coast guards would radio back to

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00:04:07,429 --> 00:04:04,319

their control base stating that the

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00:04:08,550 --> 00:04:07,439

quote objects appeared to be landing on

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00:04:10,309 --> 00:04:08,560

the lake

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00:04:13,830 --> 00:04:10,319

the coast guards would continue to

101  
00:04:16,069 --> 00:04:13,840  
advise the control room of the situation

102  
00:04:18,550 --> 00:04:16,079  
as the triangular craft became more

103  
00:04:21,270 --> 00:04:18,560  
active once more they would report that

104  
00:04:23,350 --> 00:04:21,280  
the other objects were moving all around

105  
00:04:24,550 --> 00:04:23,360  
and they were going at high rates of

106  
00:04:26,710 --> 00:04:24,560  
speed

107  
00:04:29,270 --> 00:04:26,720  
as sheila and henry along with the two

108  
00:04:31,749 --> 00:04:29,280  
coast guards continued to watch the

109  
00:04:34,469 --> 00:04:31,759  
fascinating display they noticed one of

110  
00:04:35,670 --> 00:04:34,479  
the triangles suddenly turn in their

111  
00:04:38,070 --> 00:04:35,680  
direction

112  
00:04:40,070 --> 00:04:38,080  
it was heading straight for the coast

113  
00:04:42,070 --> 00:04:40,080

guard's vehicle

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00:04:44,950 --> 00:04:42,080

right before what seemed to be an

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00:04:48,230 --> 00:04:44,960

inevitable impact the object veered

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00:04:51,510 --> 00:04:48,240

upwards in a blur of light

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00:04:53,990 --> 00:04:51,520

it then returned to the main large craft

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00:04:55,670 --> 00:04:54,000

as did all the other smaller triangular

119

00:04:58,469 --> 00:04:55,680

objects

120

00:05:01,110 --> 00:04:58,479

all the while the sound of ice cracking

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00:05:03,350 --> 00:05:01,120

continued it seemed that the previously

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00:05:06,150 --> 00:05:03,360

bright white lights of the craft were

123

00:05:10,390 --> 00:05:06,160

now beginning to flash and glow in a

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00:05:12,629 --> 00:05:10,400

display of red blue orange and green

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00:05:13,990 --> 00:05:12,639

the craft itself appeared to be

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00:05:15,990 --> 00:05:14,000

descending

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00:05:17,749 --> 00:05:16,000

the lights went out for a second and

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00:05:20,390 --> 00:05:17,759

then returned

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00:05:24,390 --> 00:05:20,400

and then without warning the lights and

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00:05:26,469 --> 00:05:24,400

the rumbling noise were gone completely

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00:05:29,749 --> 00:05:26,479

the witnesses were not clear if the

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00:05:31,430 --> 00:05:29,759

craft had sped away or if the lights had

133

00:05:33,909 --> 00:05:31,440

simply gone out

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00:05:34,950 --> 00:05:33,919

perhaps it was still hovering over the

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00:05:38,469 --> 00:05:34,960

ice

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00:05:41,270 --> 00:05:38,479

only now they couldn't see it sheila

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00:05:43,510 --> 00:05:41,280

though would voice her suspicion for

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00:05:46,950 --> 00:05:43,520

reasons she doesn't know that this

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00:05:49,909 --> 00:05:46,960

object plunged directly below the ice

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00:05:52,150 --> 00:05:49,919

and into the frozen waters

141

00:05:54,150 --> 00:05:52,160

although several of the small triangular

142

00:05:56,390 --> 00:05:54,160

objects were seen flying directly

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00:05:59,749 --> 00:05:56,400

overhead a little later that evening

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00:06:01,749 --> 00:05:59,759

this large craft didn't reappear

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00:06:04,070 --> 00:06:01,759

one of the coast guards would report

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00:06:07,510 --> 00:06:04,080

that the triangular crafts behaved as

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00:06:09,749 --> 00:06:07,520

though they were scouting the area

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00:06:12,790 --> 00:06:09,759

none of the coast guards could identify

149

00:06:15,350 --> 00:06:12,800

any of the objects they had witnessed

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00:06:17,350 --> 00:06:15,360

and the lake erie close encounter

