

Sighting of a Triangular Object at Close Proximity Filed with MUFON by Craig R. Lang, MS CHt

Type of Report: Flyover of Triangular Object at Close Proximity

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Date of Sighting: October 2000 –exact date not known – estimated time 10:30 PM
CDT

(Note: since time change is during October, it is not clear whether time is
CDT or CST)

Place of Sighting: Plymouth, MN

Local Evaluation: CE1 - Unexplained

Sighting Background

I was contacted by the witness at the close of the Minnesota MUFON meeting in December 2001, regarding this sighting. I interviewed her in January of 2002.

Witness Description

The witness is a 79 year old female. She is a homemaker and retired bank and mortgage clerk. She indicates that her health and hearing are OK and her vision is correctable to 20/20 using eyeglasses, which she was wearing at the time of the sighting. She describes her education level as a partial college education. She has extensively followed the UFO phenomenon in the last few years and indicates that she may have had a number of psychic and UFOlogical experiences.

Sighting Account

The witness was doing some quick household chores on the main floor of her house at about 10:30 PM. She was momentarily standing on her back porch, which is one floor above ground level, facing southeast. She indicates that she often observes the sky, and at this moment, she looked up and observed a large triangular object nearly due south in the sky at an elevation of about 50 degrees or higher.

The object moved out of her view so she ran into her living room, which has a south facing window, and attempted to look up at the object. She was unable to see it due to the overhang of the roof. She thus lost sight of the object at that point.

She felt that the total sighting time was under two minutes [CL Estimate: probably

less than one minute].

Object Description:

She describes the object as being about six times larger than an aircraft would appear at that location. It moved slowly and silently in an east to west path. She did not know the elevation, and thus could not estimate its size, however, its angular size was larger than that of a garage about ½ blocks away from where she stood [CL estimate, angular size would have been at least that of hand at arms length].

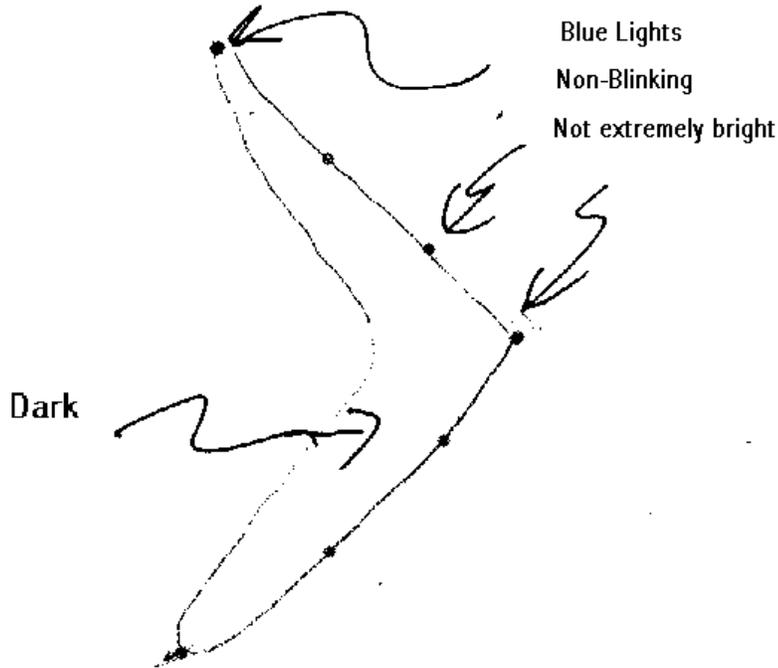


Figure 1: Witness sketch of object [CL Annotation]

The object was described as having at least three non-blinking blue lights on each “wing” and one at the apex. The color was described as dark, but not absolute black. The motion of the object was slow, smooth and silent.

Additional Witnesses:

None are known. However, the proximity of the witness' location to two major freeways (US Hwy 169 less than 3 miles to the east, and I494 to the west) is very noteworthy. It is possible that a significant number of commuters on these highways could have seen this object.

Weather Conditions:

Witness describes weather as clear and cool.

Detailed weather conditions are not available due to the uncertainty regarding the date.

Natural and Manmade Phenomena Check:

Null hypothesis: Aircraft at unusually low elevation.

The configuration and blue lighting are not consistent with known aircraft. The witness also describes the motion as being much slower than an aircraft. In addition, any aircraft low enough to have that large an apparent size would have been clearly audible.

Additional Note:

The description of this object is similar to that of several other "triangle" and "boomerang" shaped objects observed in the last several years in the Twin Cities Metropolitan area. Consistent themes of these reports are the large size of the object, its slow, smooth movement, and its low altitude.

Sighting Evaluation:

CE1, unexplained

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