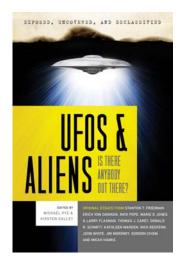
UFOS & ALIENS

by Nick Redfern

CHAPTER SUMMARY

The Kingman Affair: A Strange Tale of a Crashed UFO, a Dead Alien, Flying Monkeys, Enigmas, Lies, and Truths



Within the realm of UFO research, and even within the media and the general populace, there are very few people who have not heard of the so-called Roswell Incident. It is a strange and sensational saga of conspiracy and duplicity that suggests that nothing less than an alien spacecraft, complete with crew, catastrophically crashed on a remote ranch in the New Mexico desert during the summer of 1947.

As of this writing, the Air Force's official position on Roswell is that the affair can be explained in wholly conventional and down-to-earth terms: The unusual wreckage found at the crash site, says the military, originated with a secret high-altitude

balloon project, called Project Mogul, which was designed to monitor early Soviet atomic bomb tests. As for the strange bodies found at the scene, according to the Air Force they were nothing stranger than some crash-test dummies that had been used in military parachute experiments.

Needless to say, die-hard UFO researchers scoff at such assertions and accuse the U.S. government of engaging in a cover-up of *X-Files* proportions in order to hide the decidedly extraterrestrial truth. Roswell is not alone in this. Indeed, there are far more than a few reports that suggest aliens may have visited the earth, only to fatally crash and burn.

One such event is alleged to have occurred in May 1953 in a desert locale on the fringes of the town of Kingman, Arizona. The Kingman case is a truly unique one that contains a near-infinite number of curious plot lines and countless characters—some named and speaking on the record, and others wholly anonymous and Deep Throat–like in nature. Numerous twists and turns abound.

Highlights of this incredible story include: (A) the crash-and-recovery of a spacecraft from another world, as well as the discovery and autopsy of its solitary alien crewmember; (B) secret attempts by the U.S. Government to understand and duplicate the extraterrestrial technology that quite literally fell into its hands; (C) data on the reputed location where the Kingman wreckage is said to be held now; and (D) intriguing theories suggesting the UFO crash legend may have been an ingenious cover-story to hide the crash of a U.S. military vehicle engaged in Top Secret experimentation.

From the heart of the Pentagon to the harsh deserts of Arizona, the story of the Kingman UFO is one of truly out-of-this-world proportions.

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Interview Questions

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- ▶ What is the story of the Kingman, Arizona UFO crash of May 1953?
- ▶ How, and under what circumstances, did the case first surface publicly?
- ➤ The original source of the story had an interesting military background. Can you talk about him?
- ▶ How did the witness describe the crash site, and the recovery of the UFO and its alleged alien pilot?
- ▶ When the bare bones of the story surfaced in the 1970s, what did the UFO research community make of it?
- ➤ Can you tell us about the early research of UFO investigator Ray Fowler, who deeply studied the Kingman incident?
- ➤ In the later-1970s, a man named Leonard Stringfield began doing investigations into the Kingman story, and spoke with additional military sources of data. What did he find out?
- ➤ The Kingman crash occurred at the height of a series of atomic-bomb tests that were occurring only one state away from Kingman specifically in Nevada. Is there a connection between the Nevada bomb-tests and the UFO crash in Arizona?
- ▶ What is the truth about the rumor that the Kingman craft was secretly taken to Area 51 for study?
- ▶ There is an interesting link between the 1953 UFO crash at Kingman, and the late-1952 story of a man who claimed to have met aliens in the desert near Kingman. Can you elaborate on this?

- ➤ Some people believe the UFO crash was actually a cover-story to hide the secret military test-flight of a classified aircraft that came down at Kingman. What are your views on this?
- ▶ Are witnesses, and data, still surfacing on the Kingman controversy?
- ▶ What are your personal views and conclusions on the case?
- ▶ Are we ever likely to get the truth of what really happened?