

**CASE: The Roswell Incident**

**LOCATION:** United States

In 1947, the remains of what seemed to be a UFO landed in a small farming town called Roswell, New Mexico. The government insists that the debris was actually pieces of a weather balloon, but many believe it is irrefutable evidence of alien life—the remnants were pieces of a spacecraft, and the government kidnapped its inhabitants.



**WITNESS:** William Brazel, rancher:

We had had a big storm the night before, so I went out to check on the sheep. I noticed these piles of junk that were strewn all around. When my son and I went to look at them we noticed they were made of what looked like foil, wooden sticks, and some paper. Heavy paper, but still just paper. Some of the paper had some strange writing on them that I couldn't read, and the metal acted strangely—you could squish it into a ball and in two seconds it would go back to its normal shape. I couldn't for the life of me figure out what this could make. Then I started hearing about spaceships and all that a few days later, and I got to wondering...

**WITNESS:** Sandy Smith, neighbor:

UFO? Give me a break. Who would make a UFO—or a weather balloon, for that matter—out of wood and paper? Probably just some kid's kite.

**WITNESS:** Jim Carl, U.S. Military:

I am not at liberty to discuss such matters.

**What do you think Jim Carl saw? Imagine you were able to interview him. Write his story below.**

