

## What's this about the C-130?



Reports to be found on the W W Web relating to a C130 also seen near to the Pentagon on September 11th 2001.

a supplement to ['They Saw the Aircraft'](#)

**John O'Keefe**, 25-year-old Northern Virginia commuter, managing editor of Influence, an American Lawyer Media publication about lobbying was "not much more than a football field away"

"The first thing I did was pull over onto the shoulder, and when I got out of the car I saw another plane flying over my head, and it scared ...me, because I knew there had been two planes that hit the World Trade Center. And I started jogging up the ramp to get as far away as possible

"Then the plane -- it **looked like a C-130 cargo plane** -- started turning away from the Pentagon, it **did a complete turnaround**.

<http://www.nylawyer.com/news/01/09/0912011.html>

**Scott P. Cook** was at work on the fifth floor of the Portals building, at 1280 Maryland Avenue SW, Washington DC. immediately opposite to the Pentagon across the River.

- "As we watched the black plume gather strength, less than a minute after the explosion, we saw an odd sight that no one else has yet commented on. Directly in back of the plume, which would place it almost due west from our office, a four-engine propeller plane, which Ray later said resembled a **C-130, started a steep decent towards the Pentagon. It was coming from an odd direction** (planes don't go east-west in the area), and it was **descending at a much steeper angle than most aircraft. Trailing a thin, diffuse black trail from its engines, the plane reached the Pentagon at a low altitude and made a sharp left turn, passing just north of the plume, and headed straight for the White House.**

All the while, I was sort of talking at it: "Who the hell are you? Where are you going? You're not headed for downtown!" Ray and Verle watched it with me, and I was convinced it was another attack. But **right over the tidal basin, at an altitude of less than 1000 feet, it made another sharp left turn to the north and climbed rapidly.** Soon it was gone, leaving only the thin black trail.

<http://www.clothmonkey.com/91101.htm>

"Likewise, it was true that an airplane was seen -- by others -- circling the Capitol, shortly after the Pentagon was hit." said Michael Doyle in a Bee Washington Bureau report, Sept. 15th.

**Brian Kennedy**. Press Secretary to California Congressman George

Radanovich said

"There was a plane over the Capitol; I was there, and I saw it. If I was standing outside a building in West Virginia, I might not have been paranoid, but I was standing outside the Capitol."

[http://www.sacbee.com/static/archive/news/special/attacks/0915\\_01.html](http://www.sacbee.com/static/archive/news/special/attacks/0915_01.html)

**Allen Cleveland** watched from a metro train:

"Soon after the crash (Within 30 seconds of the crash) I witnessed a **military cargo plane (Possibly a C130) fly over the crash site and circle the mushroom cloud.** My brother inlaw also witnessed the same plane following the jet while he was on the HOV lanes in Springfield. He said that he saw a jetliner flying low over the tree tops near Seminary RD in Springfield, VA. and **soon afterwards a military plane was seen flying right behind it.** I think this was also a reason for the false threat of another plane about to crash which caused rescuers to have to evacuate for a short time after the initial crash."

[www.spooky8.com/reviews.htm](http://www.spooky8.com/reviews.htm)

[http://216.239.39.100/search?q=cache:-t4v5OM\\_xsC:www.spooky8.com/reviews.htm](http://216.239.39.100/search?q=cache:-t4v5OM_xsC:www.spooky8.com/reviews.htm)

**Vin Narayanan:**

"I hopped out of my car after the jet exploded, nearly oblivious to a second jet hovering in the skies."

<http://www.usatoday.com/news/nation/2001/09/17/first-person.htm>

Off to the west, **Sucherman** saw another plane

"off to the South West and it **made a bee line straight up into the sky and then it angled off"**

"I thought, 'Is this thing **coming around to make a second attack?** If there is another explosion, we're toast.'"

<http://www.eweek.com/article/0,3658,s%253D704%2526a%253D15161,00.asp>

"Within a minute another plane started veering up and to the side. At that point it wasn't clear if that plane was trying to manouver out of the air space or if that plane was coming round for another hit."

[Audio recorded report](#)

**Anon**, from the Naval Annex:

We constantly scanned skyward with our "eyeball radar," noting the sound of every jet engine seemed to make us jump. Fortunately, the only aircraft noise was the crisp distinctive ripping sound was of Air Force F-16's or the roar and popping of the rotor blades of a Park Police UH-1 helicopter surveying the damage. The only large fixed wing aircraft to appear was a **gray C-130, which appeared to be a Navy electronic warfare aircraft, he seemed to survey the area and depart in on a westerly heading.**

<http://www.ournetfamily.com/WarOnTerror/emails/pentagonwitness.html>

**Keith Wheelhouse**, of Virginia Beach, spotted the planes first. The second plane looked similar to a C 130 transport plane, he said. He believes it **flew directly above the American Airlines jet**, as if to prevent two planes from appearing on radar while at the same time guiding the jet toward the Pentagon. insists he was not confused by other air traffic.

A Norfolk-based FBI agent interviewed him, Wednesday evening.

(abstracted from the [ARLINGTON Daily Press](#); [Newport News](#); Sep 14, 2001)

**Kelly Knowles**, a First Colonial High School alumna who now lives in an apartment a few miles from the Pentagon, said some sort of plane followed the doomed American Airlines jet toward the Pentagon, then **veered away after the explosion**.

At the same time, **Keith Wheelhouse** and his sister, **Pam Young**, who lives in Surry, were preparing to leave a funeral at Arlington National Cemetery, which is less than a mile from the Pentagon, when they watched the jet approach and slam into the Pentagon. Both of them, as well as at least one other person at the funeral, insist that **there was another plane** flying near the hijacked jet.

(abstracted from the [ARLINGTON Daily Press; Newport News; Sep 15, 2001](#))

[http://indymedia.org/front.php3?article\\_id=131871&group=webcast](http://indymedia.org/front.php3?article_id=131871&group=webcast)

An **Arlington Cemetery worker** who declined to be interviewed in front of the media told a story that the military historians had not heard in the 244 interviews they had conducted through last week: **".. a mysterious second plane was circling the area when the first one attacked the Pentagon."**

<http://www.s-t.com/daily/12-01/12-20-01/a02wn018.htm>

Pentagon spokesman **Rear Adm. Craig Quigley** said later Tuesday that he also had **heard reports of a smaller second plane**, but could not confirm it.

<http://www.pittsburgh.com/partners/wpxi/news/pentagonattack.html>

In a TLC documentary the pilot of the C-130 was identified

**NARRATOR:**

By chance a C-130 is already in the skies above Washington. The plane everyone is looking for is right in front of them.

**National Guard Lt. Col. Steve O'Brien.**

We were **at about 3,500 feet at the time that I first noticed this commercial airliner in our 12 o'clock position in about a 45-degree bank, which is unusual for a large aircraft to be descending and turning at a 45-degree bank turn like that, so that really got our attention.** The next thing we saw was a fireball and a big plume of smoke.

[From a mail message from 'Isopodia'.](#)

**Phillip Thompson** was sitting in the I-395 HOV lanes directly across from the Navy Annex...

"I started directing cars to pull to the side of the HOV lanes to make way for emergency vehicles. On the way in to work, I'd heard about the two planes that attacked the World Trade Center, and now that came to mind. What if "dash two" was inbound to the Pentagon? Then a gray C-130 flew overhead, setting off a new round of panic. I tried to reassure people that the plane was not a threat.

[http://www.militarycity.com/sept11/911\\_1068139.html](http://www.militarycity.com/sept11/911_1068139.html)

A **'Civilian'** on his way to the Pentagon interviewed an hour after the event said:

"Right there right where the smoke's coming out. I was in in my car - yeah

**- a big assed plane - a four propeller, huge grey plane "**

<http://www.defenselink.mil/multimedia/audio/srtv.ram>

See also: [Brig. Gen. Clyde A. Vaughn: "may have been the plane"](#)

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