

Grant County Sheriff Department

ULYSSES, KANSAS 67880
Statement Form

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Statement Regarding: Plane Crash on Thursday, Feb. 22, 2018

I make the following statement of my own will and accord. I have not been threatened, mistreated or promised reward for giving this statement.

(like a falling star)
I was headed N on Hwy 25. I had just passed Shorters on the W. It was approx. 9:07 AM when I saw 2 red lights and what appeared to be 1 blue light in the sky. My head was turned slightly to left. The lights appeared to the West of Hwy 25 slightly above the electrical lines by 25 ft or so ft. Within probably 3-5 seconds the lights fell quickly and then I saw an orange ball flash of fire West of Hwy 25 by probably 1/10 of mile. I reached for my phone and called 911. It was 9:08 PM on my phone record. I told them what I saw as to lights and that it was a plane and that I'd just passed Shorters. They asked for mile marker. I drove maybe .10 mile and reported mile marker 32 Road 7. I asked if I should go on to site and dispatch said yes. I turned Left or West onto Road 7 and drove very short distance North into Field. There was sprinkler cuts so drove slowly was probably at least .10 to plane. I noticed lights coming up behind me. Pulled over thinking it could be unmarked rescue. It wasn't. A man in a pickup. I told him I'd called in. He said his wife had also but she wasn't in truck. Another man pulled up. The three of us did not exchange names but agreed we needed to see if anyone had survived crash. I'd told rescue (911) that it appeared to be big fire.

Field was burning where plane crashed. But fire did not appear to be spreading. I walked W but to North side. He walked W to South side. I heard him say. Oh my God. I asked if he had found anyone. He said no. As I walked I saw a lot of debris scattered everywhere. I saw an unburnt small seat. Green dufflebag. Pages with writing spread out. Two engines one to N side, one to South side. Plane appeared to have been still headed West. As I walked West, one plane wing was partially in one piece but separated from plane body. Two bigger main pieces were on fire with lots of smoke. Could not make out any survivors or visual top of plane. As smoke was heavy, I walked further West and back to South. About that time a fire truck pulled up and pulled out hoses. I walked past them to the first Rescue pickup I could see to not interfere with fire trucks. James Biddle was the officer. I spoke to. I walked back to the West with him to share what I'd seen. He was on his radio and shared we needed to leave. I asked if he needed anything else from me before I headed to GC airport. He asked that I come in next day provide statement. I got in vehicle and headed East out of field stopping for two additional fire trucks. The 2nd vehicle that drove up, when I first entered field, the pickup was stopped and talking to Mr. Puckett. Veri & I went to Police Station next day. picked up paperwork.

My mom and granddaughter were in my vehicle but never exited truck.