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This is transcribed copy of the written statement provided by an employee of ArkLa Flyers in Bonita, Louisiana who witnessed the accident:

I loaded Ken and he took off. As I watched him flying to southeast of woods, then I happened to see the other plane flying to Ken. As Ken pulled up so did [the] other plane. My plane kept flying and other hit ground hard and truly blew up and smoke lasted eight minutes. I waited for Ken to land to see if plane was hurt or if Ken would land safely. Watched Ken land and then me and Ken went to the crash site in my truck. I told, police, this all when it happened. I also worked with the other pilot for 15 years or so. It's crazy to have saw it.

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