Giant Pterosaur in New Mexico

I refer to an eyewitness sighting report in the second edition of *Live Pterosaurs in America*, by Jonathan Whitcomb, copyright 2010.

"I live in central N.M.. Fourteen years ago, in [Socorro], N.M., me and a close friend, who now has a masters in biology, were hiking during the midday sun at [a] box canyon and something blocked the sun for a moment. We both looked up to see . . . a large flying animal.

"It had a 20-30 foot wingspan and was about the same length long. It had a long tail with [a] seeming spike at the end. Its head was very pterodactyl shape with a fluted back pointy head. It glided at about 700 feet in a westward direction We watched it glide . . . and land somewhere on the southern expanse of Magdalena Mountains."

It was interesting to me that the man related another sighting, about one month later, at the same place and about the same time of day and under the same conditions.

New Mexico Pterosaurs, Living in 19th Centuries

From "Weird New Mexico" (web site):

One man, Leroy Jones, used to talk about area ranchers in the late-1800s who swore they had seen pterosaurs — reptilian and enormous and startlingly alive — swooping over the desert hills and scrub brush of New Mexico's southwestern Boot Heel.

New Mexico is just west of Texas, and Western Texas has a mystery, weird flying lights, that may relate to living pterosaurs in North America:

Mysterious Marfa Lights

Since early 2010, substantial circumstantial evidence has accumulated for the hypothesis that the more-mysterious of the flying lights around Marfa, Texas, are caused by the bioluminescence of a group of flying predators, unclassified by science.

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How are sightings in the United States related to those in the southwest Pacific? How do some apparent nocturnal pterosaurs pertain to bats, and how are bats irrelevant? How could modern living pterosaurs have escaped scientific notice? These mysteries have slept in the dark, beyond the knowledge of almost all Americans, even beyond our wildest dreams (although the reality of some pterosaurs is a living nightmare to some bats). These mysteries have slept . . . until now.