

## **AT-11 crash site, Manzano Mountains, NM**

DATE February 25, 1942

AIRCRAFT AAF AT-11, A.F. No. 41-9452

GENERAL LOCATION Manzano Mountains, NM

PEOPLE ABOARD Pilot and three others

REFERENCES Personal communication with *Commemorative Air Force* member based at Moriarty Airport, NM

### HISTORY

The pilot and three others were flying in the Manzano Mountain area, mission unknown. At some point, an Aviation Cadet made an emergency parachute jump from the aircraft and died in the process. The pilot and two others crash landed and the plane was totally demolished. The pilot was uninjured while the two others were "slightly injured."

Over the years, several crash explorers have visited the site. A lot of wreckage remains. For those people seeking the site, the crash is older than 50 years and it is illegal to remove artifacts without proper authority.



Photo of a similar Beechcraft AT-11 used by the Army Air Force during the war