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May 3, 1984

Talk about unlucky- A severe thunderstorm blew a fiberglass bench from the 21st floor of the Peach Tree Summit building in downtown Atlanta, Georgia. Unfortunately the bench landed on a car on Interstate 75/Interstate 85 killing a backseat passenger.

May 5, 2003

Lightning followed an iron sewer line and jumped to a copper gas pipe in the crawl space under the home in Conyers, Georgia; the house caught on fire. Sadly, the 95-year-old resident of the home (her birthday was the next day) was overcome by smoke while fleeing and died.

May 6, 2003

What a story to tell! A family in Jackson, Missouri safely reached their basement as an F3 tornado passed. However, above them a baseball size hail bounced off the kitchen floor of their unroofed home, and a small sports car landed in their living room.

May 9, 2000

160 of the 200 homes in Tontogany, Ohio were damage by hail to the size of softballs; some of the stones were shaped like "candy bars". The hail fell for 10 minutes and more than 100 homes had holes knocked into their interior walls by hail and 60 mph winds.

May 10, 2003

Three teenagers ran into a home near Argle, Iowa as an F2 tornado neared; two went to an interior bathroom, the other under stairs. The home was turned 120° and moved approximately 25 to 40 feet before being stopped by three large trees- which likely save teens from injury/death.

May 16, 2010

Hail to softball size pounded a northwest to southeast track across the Oklahoma City, Oklahoma, metro area. Many expensive homes in Nichols Hills had total roof

damage; many windows shattered in homes and vehicles. Hail fog obscured what appeared to be a snow-covered ground after the storm.

May 19, 1982

Lightning never strikes in the same place twice, right? Lightning hit the National Weather Service office in Rapid City, South Dakota, knocking out commercial power. Emergency backup power was then knocked out when a second strike hit the office.

May 20, 1956

Near Bethel, Delaware, lightning hit a home; a family of seven was literally blown out of their beds (all survived). Sides of the house “bulged out” and the front door was blown out. Plaster was knocked from the ceiling/walls. It looked like a bomb had been thrown into the house.

May 27, 1997

Moving in a general northeast to southwest direction, the deadliest U.S. tornado of 1997 killed 27 people in Jarrell, Texas. The F5 storm up to three quarters of a mile in width tore asphalt from the roads, swept slabs bare of their homes, and threw cattle one quarter of a mile.

May 29, 2006

Lightning hit near a home in Daphne, Alabama; it followed a water line into the home. A ball of lightning exploded from the floor next to a woman standing in the kitchen and knocked her down. She said her dog tried to stop her from entering the kitchen before the strike.