

5 Haunted Places in the Greenville Area

Halloween is near, and that means it's time for true ghost stories and all things spooky. Though Greenville isn't famously haunted like other cities in the South, it has its share of ghostly legends. With that in mind, here are five haunted places in the Greenville area. Pay them a visit...if you dare.

Greenville Army-Navy Store

Veteran Harry Zaglin opened the Greenville Army-Navy store in 1946, and it is now one of the oldest businesses in Greenville. Zaglin died in 1995, and though Zaglin's son Jeff runs the store today, some believe Harry is still hanging around. In 2011, a paranormal investigation group exploring the store after hours heard a disembodied voice, believed to be Harry's, call "Get out! We're closed." and "Come back next week." According to local paranormal researcher Jason Profit, other eerie events in the store include flashing lights, boots that move on their own, and a drawer that refuses to stay put.

660 South Main Street, Greenville, SC 29601

Westin Poinsett Hotel

The Poinsett Hotel first opened its doors in 1925 and was a bustling business for many years. However, the good times didn't last, and the hotel closed for good in 1987. For 13 years the building sat vacant until a group of investors snagged the property and reopened the hotel as the Westin Poinsett in 2000. The hotel is now booming again, though some say it harbors a ghost or two.

In his book, *Haunted Greenville*, Jason Profit shares the story of a Poinsett guest who woke up at 2 a.m. after hearing loud noises in the bathroom. The noises stopped when he went to investigate, but soon started again, this time in the hallway. Thinking it was the cleaning crew, the irritated guest called the front desk only to learn there was no cleaning crew on duty and that he was alone on the floor. Other guests have spotted an old man in their room, only to see him disappear before their eyes.

120 South Main Street, Greenville, SC 29601

Herdklotz Park

Between 1930 and the early 1950s, the Hopewell Tuberculosis Sanatorium treated hundreds of patients suffering from tuberculosis. Many of the patients died. And though the hospital is long gone, legend has it that the deceased patients now haunt Herdklotz Park which stands where the old hospital once did.

In *Haunted South Carolina*, author Alan Brown reports that visitors hear a number of strange sounds on the playground, including banging, screaming, and the clanging of unseen bells. At night, people spot shadows flitting in the darkness. In fact, some people living near the park claim these shadowy beings occasionally enter their homes.

126 Beverly Road, Greenville, SC 29609

Springwood Cemetery

Listed on the National Register of Historic Places, Greenville's Springwood Cemetery is over 200 years old and home to more than 10,000 graves. The cemetery is the final resting place for Confederate soldiers, prominent politicians, and even a NASCAR driver, and like many historic graveyards is rumored to be haunted.

Several paranormal investigation groups have explored the sprawling cemetery, reporting everything from phantom knocks to full-body apparitions. According to Jason Profit, many children who enter the cemetery see spirits adults cannot. Other eerie reports from Springwood include disembodied voices, light anomalies, and blurred faces appearing in visitors' photos.

410 North Main Street, Greenville, SC 29601

Poinsett Bridge

Built in 1820, Poinsett Bridge in Landrum, South Carolina is the oldest surviving bridge in the state and was once part of a road that connected Charleston and Columbia to the mountain communities of North Carolina. It's now rumored to be haunted.

Several legends surround Poinsett Bridge. One attributes the haunting to a lynched slave, while another claims the bridge sits atop an ancient Indian burial ground. A third legend claims a mason died during the span's construction and is now entombed inside.

Conflicting legends aside, many people are convinced something haunts the bridge. One paranormal investigation team noted unexplained red and white lights in the vicinity of the bridge, while a photo revealed a "mist of man-sized proportion." That same team recorded an EVP that sounded like a human heartbeat. Other creepy reported incidents include unexplained screams, eerie moans, and odd lights.

Callahan Mountain Road, Landrum, SC 29356

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