

The Murder of Madeline

The King family was also rumored to have their own skeletons in the closet—or the chimney to be more accurate. Rumor was that Mr. King was having an affair with a barmaid at the tavern by the name of Madeline. Mrs. King found out about the affair and Madeline mysteriously disappeared. In the early 1930's, the downstairs fireplace caved in. It has been reported that 3 skeletons were found bricked into the chimney: one woman and two men, along with a jeweled dagger that was possibly the murder weapon. It was suspected that the skeletons were that of the missing Madeline, and either her killers, hired by Mrs. King and later disposed of to cover herself, or two male slaves that Mrs. King had altercations with. She was known to be a vicious and disagreeable woman, feared by many. There are tales that Mr. King died of a broken heart due to the sudden disappearance of his beloved Madeline.

Paranormal Activity

You are in the room and in the building where there have been numerous reports of paranormal activity. Scores of witnesses claim to have seen images of a young female, believed to be the ghost of Richard King's mistress Madeline. She appears at odd times and is sometimes a prankster; knocking jars off of shelves, pouring water on the brick floors, turning the lights on and off, and breaking glasses. Some have claimed to have witnessed tables vibrating, chains on the walls moving by themselves, hearing disembodied footsteps, water taps turning on by themselves, and sounds of a baby crying in the attic room. This maintained by the legend that Big Harpe had killed another baby in the upstairs room because he was annoyed by it's crying. There are also claims of seeing a man with no face wearing a red hat, hearing male voices talking, and the shadows and apparitions of both a large man and an Indian.