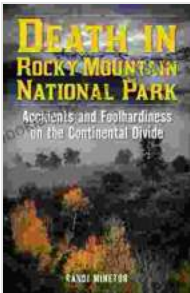


# Death in Rocky Mountain National Park: A Haunting History

Rocky Mountain National Park is a beautiful and popular destination, but it also has a dark side. Over the years, there have been numerous deaths in the park, many of them mysterious and unexplained. This article explores some of the most famous and haunting cases of death in Rocky Mountain National Park.



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## The Death of Halina O'Brien

In 1934, 28-year-old Halina O'Brien was hiking alone in Rocky Mountain National Park when she disappeared. Her body was found two weeks later, partially clothed and badly decomposed. The cause of her death was never determined, but there were signs that she had been attacked by an animal.

O'Brien's death remains one of the most mysterious in the park's history. There are several theories about what happened to her, but none of them have been proven. Some people believe that she was killed by a bear, while others believe that she was the victim of a human attacker.

### **The Death of Adolphus Ulricsen**

In 1935, 54-year-old Adolphus Ulricsen was hiking in Rocky Mountain National Park when he was struck by lightning. He died instantly. Ulricsen's death was a reminder of the dangers of hiking in the park, especially during thunderstorms.

Ulricsen's death is also notable because it was one of the first cases of lightning-related death in the park. Since then, there have been several other lightning-related deaths in the park, including the death of a 13-year-old girl in 2014.

### **The Death of Evelyn McClear**

In 1952, 20-year-old Evelyn McClear was hiking in Rocky Mountain National Park with her boyfriend when she disappeared. Her body was found two days later, at the bottom of a cliff. The cause of her death was ruled as accidental, but there were some suspicious circumstances surrounding her death.

McClear's boyfriend told investigators that they had been hiking together when she slipped and fell. However, there were no witnesses to the fall, and McClear's body was found in a location that was not consistent with her boyfriend's story.

Some people believe that McClear's death was not an accident, but that she was murdered by her boyfriend. However, there is no evidence to support this theory.

### **The Death of Duane Lionberger**

In 1975, 27-year-old Duane Lionberger was hiking in Rocky Mountain National Park when he disappeared. His body was found two weeks later, in a remote area of the park. The cause of his death was never determined, but there were signs that he had been attacked by an animal.

Lionberger's death is another one of the most mysterious in the park's history. There are several theories about what happened to him, but none of them have been proven. Some people believe that he was killed by a bear, while others believe that he was the victim of a human attacker.

### **The Death of Kari Swenson**

In 1988, 21-year-old Kari Swenson was hiking in Rocky Mountain National Park with her boyfriend when she disappeared. Her body was found two days later, in a remote area of the park. The cause of her death was ruled as accidental, but there were some suspicious circumstances surrounding her death.

Swenson's boyfriend told investigators that they had been hiking together when she slipped and fell. However, there were no witnesses to the fall, and Swenson's body was found in a location that was not consistent with her boyfriend's story.

Some people believe that Swenson's death was not an accident, but that she was murdered by her boyfriend. However, there is no evidence to

support this theory.

## **The Death of John Evans**

In 2008, 27-year-old John Evans was hiking in Rocky Mountain National Park when he disappeared. His body was found two months later, in a remote area of the park. The cause of his death was never determined, but there were signs that he had been attacked by an animal.

Evans' death is another one of the most mysterious in the park's history. There are several theories about what happened to him, but none of them have been proven. Some people believe that he was killed by a bear, while others believe that he was the victim of a human attacker.

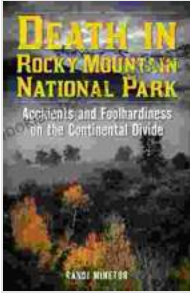
Death is a part of life, and it is no stranger to Rocky Mountain National Park. The park's vast wilderness and treacherous terrain can be unforgiving, and even the most experienced hikers can be caught off guard. However, the deaths that have occurred in the park are not just statistics. They are stories of real people who lost their lives in a beautiful but dangerous place.

The stories of these deaths serve as a reminder of the importance of being prepared when hiking in the wilderness. They also remind us that even the most experienced hikers can be vulnerable to the dangers of the natural world.

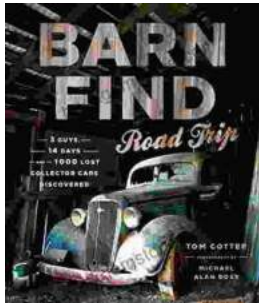
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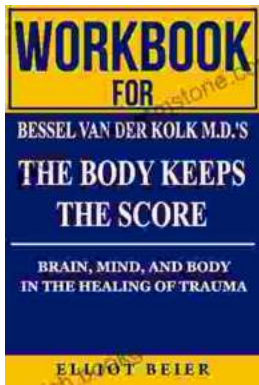


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