Library Ghost

Portsmouth Ghostbusters Interactive Profile



The Library Ghost is a Class III free-floating apparition and was the first confirmed paranormal entity encountered by the Ghostbusters during their initial investigation phase. Her manifestation marked the moment paranormal theory became operational reality.

Initial Manifestation

The entity was first observed in the New York Public Library, appearing as a calm, elderly female apparition engaged in repetitive, non-threatening behaviour. At this stage, she exhibited no hostility and remained unaware of human presence.

Witnesses described her as semi-translucent, softly glowing, and silently reorganising books, suggesting a residual attachment to her former environment.

Escalation Event

When approached and verbally engaged, the Library Ghost reacted violently to disruption. Her form rapidly transformed from a passive apparition into a fully hostile entity.

This transformation included significant physical distortion, vocal aggression, and a sudden increase in ectoplasmic output. The entity levitated, emitted a high-volume scream, and launched a direct attack.

This marked the first documented example of a ghost transitioning from benign to hostile when startled or threatened.

Classification and Paranormal Traits

Based on observed behaviour, the Library Ghost was classified as a Class III Free-Floating Full-Torso Apparition.

Documented traits include:

- Residual attachment to a specific location
- High sensitivity to interruption
- Rapid emotional escalation
- Ability to levitate and project force
- Extreme vocal manifestation during attack phase

Unlike predatory spirits, the Library Ghost did not actively seek confrontation. Her aggression appeared to be a defensive response triggered by surprise and perceived threat.

Psychological Assessment

Paranormal researchers believe the Library Ghost represents a classic residual personality imprint. Her behaviour prior to escalation indicates a routine-driven consciousness, possibly reflecting habits or identity from her life.

The violent reaction suggests fear rather than malice, reinforcing the theory that many hauntings become dangerous only when disturbed.

Ghostbusters Encounter

The Ghostbusters attempted initial observation and verbal engagement, but the entityâ€™s sudden transformation forced a rapid tactical response.

Due to equipment malfunction and inexperience at the time, the team was unable to complete containment during this encounter. However, critical data was gathered that informed all future Ghostbusters operational protocols.

This event directly influenced the development of standard engagement procedures, including controlled approach, threat assessment, and the importance of minimising surprise.

Current Status

- Threat level: Variable
- Containment priority: Monitor unless hostile
- Last confirmed sighting: New York Public Library

The Library Ghost remains a key case study in Ghostbusters history. Her encounter demonstrated that not all ghosts are immediately dangerous, but any entity can become hostile if approached incorrectly.

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