

Historic Griffin, Georgia

WHERE THE LEGEND BEGINS



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Solomon Street Dental Office

John Henry "Doc" Holliday inherited a portion of this property and reportedly practiced dentistry here while in Griffin. Thought to be originally owned by William McKey, "Doc's" Grandfather, it was passed on to his daughter Alice Jane and later to her son "Doc" Holliday. At the time of Alice Jane McKey Holliday's death in 1866, "Doc" Holliday was only 15 years old, so the property was placed under the guardianship of his father, Henry Holliday. Ownership was disputed in Lowndes County court following the death of Alice Jane and the re-marriage of "Doc's" father. The McKey family sued Henry Holliday for ownership of the property. The jury awarded partial ownership to both parties. A condition of the inheritance involved the construction of a partition wall to separate the occupancy of the building between the Holliday and McKey families. The partition is documented in historic structural reports. After practicing dentistry in Atlanta, John Henry "Doc" Holliday, returned to Griffin to finally claim his inheritance in 1872 at age 21. It is believed that he practiced in this space while in Griffin. "Doc" later sold the property and went south to Valdosta. A few months later, he would be travelling west to Texas.

Learn the local story of one of
Griffin's most famous native sons.

Take a tour... of the small town where the legend of John Henry "Doc" Holliday began.



1. Holliday Family Home Site

Doc Holliday's father owned and sold fourteen properties on Tinsley Street. The Holliday Family home where Doc spent his early years is believed to have been on this lot.



2. Camp Stephens

Doc Holliday's father owned and sold more than forty properties in Spalding County. This site was purchased in 1855 and later became a Confederate training ground named Camp Stephens.



3. Presbyterian Church Site (Fire Station)

The original building for the First Presbyterian Church was built on this site. Doc Holliday was baptized here in 1852.



4. Martha Eleanora Holliday's Grave Site

Born December 3, 1849, Martha Eleanora was the older sister of Doc Holliday. The brother and sister never met.



5. Old Spalding Co. Courthouse

Construction of this courthouse was completed in 1860. As landowners, both Doc Holliday and his father performed official business in this building.



6. Solomon Street Building

Doc Holliday inherited a portion of this property and possibly practiced dentistry here in 1872.



7. Doc Holliday's Final Resting Place?

Doc Holliday died in Glenwood Springs, Colorado in 1887. Local lore claims that members of his family brought Doc home to Griffin for a secret burial.



