

Former Placer County TB sanatorium full of memories

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Edgar Allan Poe, Stephen King or some other master of the macabre must have planted the notion in my head:

I walk into a cemetery and find my name and birthdate on a gravestone. The date of death is there, but it doesn't matter. The plot is set.

I even know the cemetery where this scenario takes place: an isolated and rarely visited graveyard some 2,000 feet up the Sierra foothills, just outside Colfax.

It's on the grounds of what historically has been Weimar Joint Sanatorium, 450 acres of manzanita, pine and oak whose central cluster of buildings is now Weimar Institute, a campus of Seventh-day Adventists studying religion and health.

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