Hannibal: Bluff City Memories (MO) (Images Of America)
Synopsis

Hannibal, Missouri, founded in 1819 on the Mississippi River, has come a long way from its humble beginnings when it was home to only 30 residents. During the late 1800s, millions of feet of lumber were processed in its mills. By 1905, Hannibal had become a major rail hub, with over 50 passenger trains arriving daily. Today, Hannibal honors the memory of its most famous citizen, Mark Twain, and thrives on the legacy of the everyday people who built this idyllic river town. With over 200 historic photographs, Bluff City Memories explores the town that Twain made famous. These images recall festivals, floods, fires, and buildings that are now long gone. They also document events such as President Theodore Roosevelt’s speech to a crowd at Union Station in 1903, and the aftermath of a shootout involving 1930s desperado John Dillinger.

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Customer Reviews

A wonderful look back at how the town used to be. The reader can visualize the streets as they are now then look at the pictures and see how they were. I am not sure we have moved forward. We have lost so much, beautiful architecture ie: fountains and buildings and of course the wonderful feeling of community that was taken for granted in the olden days.

Having lived in Hannibal for a number of years, it was excellent to see the photo’s and bring back many old memories. It is also sad to see a city once full of life slowly decaying into the dust of time. Many of the buildings with history are now gone. The book is an excellent collection of historic
photo’s.

Love the old pictures of the little river town we reside in. Great Book!!!!

I bought this for my Dad as he grew up in Hannibal. Also my grandfather is mentioned in it. Thanks.

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