

A person wearing a hat and a backpack is walking away from the viewer on a dirt path at night. The path is illuminated by a bright light source, possibly a flashlight, creating a strong shadow. The background is dark with silhouettes of trees and a large, bright full moon in the sky. The overall color palette is dominated by dark blues and blacks, with the moon and the person's path providing points of high contrast.

# Shadowed by Skinwalkers

Shapeshifting  
Spirits of the Southwest

BXP

1  
00:00:12,880 --> 00:00:10,600

[Music]

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00:00:17,240 --> 00:00:12,890

[Applause]

3  
00:00:21,570 --> 00:00:19,470

welcome to the best the first-person

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00:00:24,779 --> 00:00:21,580

episodes for phantoms and monsters

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00:00:27,689 --> 00:00:24,789

please like subscribe and hit the bell

6  
00:00:31,319 --> 00:00:27,699

icon so you'll be notified of all future

7  
00:00:36,040 --> 00:00:34,299

stalked by a skinwalker I have read

8  
00:00:37,569 --> 00:00:36,050

several of your articles about strange

9  
00:00:39,729 --> 00:00:37,579

things here in New Mexico

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00:00:41,680 --> 00:00:39,739

I live in Gallup New Mexico which is

11  
00:00:43,990 --> 00:00:41,690

surrounded by Native American culture

12  
00:00:45,850 --> 00:00:44,000

and history we have many nearby towns

13  
00:00:47,890 --> 00:00:45,860

and reservations that have been here for

14

00:00:50,020 --> 00:00:47,900

a very long time and many of the people

15

00:00:51,939 --> 00:00:50,030

claim they're haunted my experience

16

00:00:53,649 --> 00:00:51,949

takes place right in Gallup on the east

17

00:00:56,110 --> 00:00:53,659

side of the city near a very small

18

00:00:58,329 --> 00:00:56,120

reservation my best friend visited her

19

00:00:59,920 --> 00:00:58,339

sister every weekend she lived in the

20

00:01:02,469 --> 00:00:59,930

low rental apartments on the east side

21

00:01:04,119 --> 00:01:02,479

right across from these apartments is an

22

00:01:06,730 --> 00:01:04,129

elementary school the one I actually

23

00:01:08,260 --> 00:01:06,740

attended when I was a little girl during

24

00:01:10,090 --> 00:01:08,270

those weekends I would spend the night

25

00:01:12,249 --> 00:01:10,100

with my friend at her sister's apartment

26  
00:01:13,719 --> 00:01:12,259  
when there was absolutely nothing to do

27  
00:01:16,060 --> 00:01:13,729  
and the kids and parents were asleep

28  
00:01:17,469 --> 00:01:16,070  
we'd go outside to the park located in

29  
00:01:19,780 --> 00:01:17,479  
the middle of the apartments and hang

30  
00:01:22,179 --> 00:01:19,790  
out one night we became so bored we

31  
00:01:24,370 --> 00:01:22,189  
actually took off walking I'd say it was

32  
00:01:25,780 --> 00:01:24,380  
about 2:00 a.m. we were used to being up

33  
00:01:27,760 --> 00:01:25,790  
late and were wide awake

34  
00:01:29,679 --> 00:01:27,770  
we walked behind apartments where there

35  
00:01:31,810 --> 00:01:29,689  
is no light tons of bushes and prairie

36  
00:01:33,520 --> 00:01:31,820  
dog holes in the ground as we were

37  
00:01:35,830 --> 00:01:33,530  
walking I sensed that someone was

38  
00:01:37,749 --> 00:01:35,840

staring at us are following us I am very

39

00:01:39,130 --> 00:01:37,759

sensitive so when I sense someone is

40

00:01:41,499 --> 00:01:39,140

looking at me or following me I'm

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00:01:43,660 --> 00:01:41,509

usually right I turned around to look

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00:01:45,520 --> 00:01:43,670

and nothing was there as I turned to

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00:01:47,529 --> 00:01:45,530

look forward my friend suddenly grabbed

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00:01:49,899 --> 00:01:47,539

my arm and said in a scared whisper oh

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00:01:52,090 --> 00:01:49,909

my god what was that I looked into the

46

00:01:53,529 --> 00:01:52,100

darkness and saw nothing the wind was

47

00:01:55,599 --> 00:01:53,539

blowing lightly and there were a few

48

00:01:58,090 --> 00:01:55,609

trees ahead of us so I passed it off as

49

00:02:00,309 --> 00:01:58,100

the wind moving the leaves I told her

50

00:02:02,949 --> 00:02:00,319

it's just the wind chill out and kept

51  
00:02:04,389 --> 00:02:02,959  
walking but as I looked again I saw what

52  
00:02:06,730 --> 00:02:04,399  
looked like a black figure moving

53  
00:02:08,440 --> 00:02:06,740  
through the trees I stopped and said I

54  
00:02:10,359 --> 00:02:08,450  
think it might be a dream crashing out

55  
00:02:12,100 --> 00:02:10,369  
back there for the night just so I

56  
00:02:14,290 --> 00:02:12,110  
wouldn't scare my friend I kept a calm

57  
00:02:16,030 --> 00:02:14,300  
voice which was awful hard for me to do

58  
00:02:18,280 --> 00:02:16,040  
because I was sensing that this thing in

59  
00:02:20,770 --> 00:02:18,290  
the trees wasn't good I said do you want

60  
00:02:22,480 --> 00:02:20,780  
to go back home and she said no we're

61  
00:02:22,900 --> 00:02:22,490  
almost to the store let's just keep

62  
00:02:24,940 --> 00:02:22,910  
going

63  
00:02:27,880 --> 00:02:24,950

so as we kept walking we heard movement

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00:02:29,890 --> 00:02:27,890

in the trees we started walking faster I

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00:02:31,930 --> 00:02:29,900

heard something behind us and I looked

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00:02:33,730 --> 00:02:31,940

and it was like a wounded or her dog I

67

00:02:35,650 --> 00:02:33,740

wasn't really scared because where I

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00:02:37,210 --> 00:02:35,660

live there's a lot of that but what I

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00:02:39,940 --> 00:02:37,220

heard next stopped me dead in my tracks

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00:02:41,860 --> 00:02:39,950

and paralyzed me I heard this dog moan

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00:02:43,150 --> 00:02:41,870

and growl at the same time as if it was

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00:02:44,890 --> 00:02:43,160

ready to attack

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00:02:46,990 --> 00:02:44,900

I literally couldn't move and my friend

74

00:02:50,650 --> 00:02:47,000

was trying to distract me saying come on

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00:02:52,690 --> 00:02:50,660

come on we got her on her scream sounded

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00:02:55,150 --> 00:02:52,700

distant as if I had gone deaf or if she

77

00:02:56,710 --> 00:02:55,160

was far away I had made eye contact with

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00:02:59,230 --> 00:02:56,720

this thing and I knew that that was a

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00:03:01,570 --> 00:02:59,240

bad move I closed my eyes and said a

80

00:03:03,490 --> 00:03:01,580

short prayer and without even thinking I

81

00:03:06,160 --> 00:03:03,500

turned around and ran for my life with

82

00:03:07,990 --> 00:03:06,170

my friend close by my side I tried not

83

00:03:10,300 --> 00:03:08,000

to look behind us but something was

84

00:03:11,950 --> 00:03:10,310

telling me to look I glanced behind us

85

00:03:14,260 --> 00:03:11,960

and a man was running after us

86

00:03:16,510 --> 00:03:14,270

he wasn't just running he was running on

87

00:03:18,490 --> 00:03:16,520

all fours I screamed and my friend

88

00:03:20,650 --> 00:03:18,500

joined in only because I scared her when

89

00:03:23,050 --> 00:03:20,660

I yelled we finally got to the road

90

00:03:24,820 --> 00:03:23,060

where there was light in cars passing we

91

00:03:26,140 --> 00:03:24,830

must have run for about five minutes

92

00:03:28,570 --> 00:03:26,150

straight and were completely out of

93

00:03:30,280 --> 00:03:28,580

breath I remember our sides were aching

94

00:03:32,470 --> 00:03:30,290

and cramping as we stopped to catch our

95

00:03:34,090 --> 00:03:32,480

breath I turned to look behind us and

96

00:03:35,680 --> 00:03:34,100

saw the man in the distant darkness

97

00:03:37,780 --> 00:03:35,690

running back to where we had come from

98

00:03:39,940 --> 00:03:37,790

we walked a few more minutes until we

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00:03:41,560 --> 00:03:39,950

finally reached to the store the lady

100

00:03:44,290 --> 00:03:41,570

behind the counter gave us a we would

101  
00:03:46,210 --> 00:03:44,300  
look and asked us are you girls okay we

102  
00:03:48,340 --> 00:03:46,220  
were played out of breath yes just a

103  
00:03:50,440 --> 00:03:48,350  
late night run I could tell she didn't

104  
00:03:53,140 --> 00:03:50,450  
believe us so she asked did you girls

105  
00:03:56,290 --> 00:03:53,150  
run from the apartments I answered yeah

106  
00:03:58,420 --> 00:03:56,300  
why and she said oh are you girls sure

107  
00:04:00,550 --> 00:03:58,430  
you are okay we looked at each other and

108  
00:04:02,080 --> 00:04:00,560  
my friend told her well not really we

109  
00:04:03,760 --> 00:04:02,090  
just had a horrible encounter with

110  
00:04:06,190 --> 00:04:03,770  
something we don't know what it is or

111  
00:04:08,590 --> 00:04:06,200  
who it was the lady said you girls just

112  
00:04:10,240 --> 00:04:08,600  
ran from a skinwalker whoever it was

113  
00:04:12,430 --> 00:04:10,250

always chasing someone he catches

114

00:04:14,530 --> 00:04:12,440

walking the road at night you girls are

115

00:04:16,270 --> 00:04:14,540

lucky you made it this far as if we

116

00:04:17,890 --> 00:04:16,280

weren't shaken up already what she just

117

00:04:19,750 --> 00:04:17,900

told us struck a nerve

118

00:04:22,150 --> 00:04:19,760

I have heard similar tales from my

119

00:04:24,040 --> 00:04:22,160

grandmother we didn't have any money but

120

00:04:26,409 --> 00:04:24,050

she offered us a bottle of water and a

121

00:04:28,659 --> 00:04:26,419

ride back home she closed down the store

122

00:04:30,190 --> 00:04:28,669

and we got into her pickup as we passed

123

00:04:32,080 --> 00:04:30,200

the bushes and trees where we had

124

00:04:34,300 --> 00:04:32,090

previously come from we both saw

125

00:04:36,820 --> 00:04:34,310

something running the lady told us to

126

00:04:38,470 --> 00:04:36,830

ignore it and close our eyes we finally

127

00:04:41,200 --> 00:04:38,480

entered the apartment complex and she

128

00:04:43,270 --> 00:04:41,210

asked us which is yours I pointed in the

129

00:04:44,800 --> 00:04:43,280

direction of our apartment as we were

130

00:04:47,290 --> 00:04:44,810

getting out of the pickup she told us

131

00:04:48,850 --> 00:04:47,300

you girls stay home at night now there's

132

00:04:50,260 --> 00:04:48,860

no need for you to young girls to be

133

00:04:53,380 --> 00:04:50,270

running around at 2:00 in the morning

134

00:04:54,909 --> 00:04:53,390

keep yourselves safe you hear we nodded

135

00:04:56,920 --> 00:04:54,919

and said goodbye and thank you after

136

00:04:59,379 --> 00:04:56,930

that night we never left the

137

00:05:01,270 --> 00:04:59,389

and complex after it turned dark to this

138

00:05:03,310 --> 00:05:01,280

day I am still shook up about what I had

139

00:05:04,870 --> 00:05:03,320

experienced that night and I still don't

140

00:05:12,480 --> 00:05:04,880

really know what it was that jazzed us

141

00:05:18,070 --> 00:05:15,700

living near the skinwalker ranch I lived

142

00:05:20,469 --> 00:05:18,080

near Roosevelt Utah when I was a boy my

143

00:05:22,960 --> 00:05:20,479

family owned land south of town

144

00:05:24,640 --> 00:05:22,970

I suppose we lived about three or four

145

00:05:27,070 --> 00:05:24,650

miles from the current skinwalker ranch

146

00:05:29,560 --> 00:05:27,080

and Bottle Hollow this was during the

147

00:05:31,900 --> 00:05:29,570

1950's before the reservoir was built in

148

00:05:33,610 --> 00:05:31,910

the hollow sometimes we'd look east at

149

00:05:35,740 --> 00:05:33,620

night and see weird lights coming from

150

00:05:37,629 --> 00:05:35,750

the hollow area one night I remember

151

00:05:39,340 --> 00:05:37,639

watching a ball of bright white light

152

00:05:41,500 --> 00:05:39,350

with a long tail moving along the

153

00:05:43,930 --> 00:05:41,510

eastern horizon then reverse course and

154

00:05:45,820 --> 00:05:43,940

go back the other way my father called

155

00:05:48,219 --> 00:05:45,830

it a spirit light and said he would see

156

00:05:50,230 --> 00:05:48,229

many in one night when he was a boy the

157

00:05:52,120 --> 00:05:50,240

most shocking and memorable incident I

158

00:05:55,870 --> 00:05:52,130

experienced happened on my 12th birthday

159

00:05:57,219 --> 00:05:55,880

which was in September 1959 our family

160

00:05:59,500 --> 00:05:57,229

was sitting out behind the house

161

00:06:01,570 --> 00:05:59,510

enjoying the evening we had a small

162

00:06:04,120 --> 00:06:01,580

party earlier and the last guests had

163

00:06:06,250 --> 00:06:04,130

just left I had received a refracting

164

00:06:08,890 --> 00:06:06,260

telescope as a gift from my parents and

165

00:06:10,870 --> 00:06:08,900

I was eager to try it out the sky was

166

00:06:13,480 --> 00:06:10,880

clear and full of stars that evening as

167

00:06:15,730 --> 00:06:13,490

I scoured the sky I heard what sounded

168

00:06:17,529 --> 00:06:15,740

like men talking the sound was coming

169

00:06:20,020 --> 00:06:17,539

from the gully on the east end of our

170

00:06:22,570 --> 00:06:20,030

land as I listened I noticed my father

171

00:06:24,610 --> 00:06:22,580

walking towards me he had a very fearful

172

00:06:25,600 --> 00:06:24,620

look on his face like he had seen a

173

00:06:27,730 --> 00:06:25,610

ghost or something

174

00:06:29,800 --> 00:06:27,740

all of a sudden there was a loud whoop

175

00:06:31,570 --> 00:06:29,810

sound and then another I looked back

176  
00:06:33,969 --> 00:06:31,580  
toward the gully and was shocked to see

177  
00:06:35,890 --> 00:06:33,979  
three tall white human-like figures the

178  
00:06:37,779 --> 00:06:35,900  
only description I can give is that they

179  
00:06:40,089 --> 00:06:37,789  
were very thin with long arms and legs

180  
00:06:42,129 --> 00:06:40,099  
their heads were human but looked more

181  
00:06:44,080 --> 00:06:42,139  
animal-like as we watched they were

182  
00:06:46,180 --> 00:06:44,090  
standing still and looking directly at

183  
00:06:48,460 --> 00:06:46,190  
my father and I was shining black eyes

184  
00:06:50,409 --> 00:06:48,470  
then the one on the right raised its

185  
00:06:52,000 --> 00:06:50,419  
left arm and pointed in the direction of

186  
00:06:54,610 --> 00:06:52,010  
the hollow the area near the current

187  
00:06:57,040 --> 00:06:54,620  
skinwalker ranch my father yelled out

188  
00:06:59,260 --> 00:06:57,050

leave us be and the figures crouched to

189

00:07:01,300 --> 00:06:59,270

the ground and disappeared when we got

190

00:07:03,190 --> 00:07:01,310

in the house my father and mother sat me

191

00:07:04,810 --> 00:07:03,200

down at the kitchen table and told me

192

00:07:06,610 --> 00:07:04,820

that these were spirits of dead mute

193

00:07:08,890 --> 00:07:06,620

warriors who were killed by the Spanish

194

00:07:10,870 --> 00:07:08,900

and buried in the hollow they also said

195

00:07:13,029 --> 00:07:10,880

that these spirits protected the sacred

196

00:07:15,070 --> 00:07:13,039

native lands and used magic from the

197

00:07:16,600 --> 00:07:15,080

heavens to scare their enemies my

198

00:07:18,250 --> 00:07:16,610

parents were very aware of these

199

00:07:20,649 --> 00:07:18,260

traditions even though they were not

200

00:07:22,659 --> 00:07:20,659

Native American as I grew older I

201  
00:07:24,490 --> 00:07:22,669  
started to realize that we know very

202  
00:07:26,200 --> 00:07:24,500  
little about the spiritual world

203  
00:07:33,730 --> 00:07:26,210  
and that we know less about the people

204  
00:07:39,620 --> 00:07:37,340  
is a skinwalker stalking me a few months

205  
00:07:41,540 --> 00:07:39,630  
ago I started dating a Navajo girl

206  
00:07:44,360 --> 00:07:41,550  
there has been some trouble with an

207  
00:07:46,580 --> 00:07:44,370  
ex-boyfriend of hers strange things have

208  
00:07:48,650 --> 00:07:46,590  
started to happen around my property I

209  
00:07:51,830 --> 00:07:48,660  
live on a ranch in southern New Mexico

210  
00:07:54,170 --> 00:07:51,840  
and it's very isolated lately I've

211  
00:07:56,960 --> 00:07:54,180  
started seeing shadows and shapes moving

212  
00:07:58,790 --> 00:07:56,970  
around outside at night coyotes

213  
00:08:01,700 --> 00:07:58,800

which have never been much of a problem

214

00:08:03,350 --> 00:08:01,710

have started coming into the yard I even

215

00:08:05,480 --> 00:08:03,360

think I saw one in the house one night

216

00:08:07,970 --> 00:08:05,490

but I can't be too sure

217

00:08:10,610 --> 00:08:07,980

one morning I found a feather laying in

218

00:08:12,800 --> 00:08:10,620

front of my door I quickly called my

219

00:08:15,530 --> 00:08:12,810

girlfriend she told me not to touch it

220

00:08:17,690 --> 00:08:15,540

but wouldn't say why can anyone give me

221

00:08:20,330 --> 00:08:17,700

any information as to what is going on

222

00:08:21,950 --> 00:08:20,340

here exactly I can't explain it

223

00:08:24,260 --> 00:08:21,960

but this is starting to seem like

224

00:08:26,470 --> 00:08:24,270

something out of the ordinary could

225

00:08:31,180 --> 00:08:26,480

there be a skinwalker stalking me

226

00:08:37,159 --> 00:08:34,370

skinwalker encounter I live close to the

227

00:08:39,230 --> 00:08:37,169

reservation just outside Mesa Arizona I

228

00:08:41,449 --> 00:08:39,240

have a couple of native friends who I

229

00:08:43,969 --> 00:08:41,459

just recently went camping with around

230

00:08:46,430 --> 00:08:43,979

20 miles outside the valley to a place

231

00:08:48,590 --> 00:08:46,440

they call three poles this place is

232

00:08:50,840 --> 00:08:48,600

considered holy land in their eyes and

233

00:08:52,970 --> 00:08:50,850

is close to a river there are numerous

234

00:08:54,949 --> 00:08:52,980

stories I know about this place

235

00:08:57,259 --> 00:08:54,959

such as the flute player you can hear at

236

00:08:59,600 --> 00:08:57,269

night or the Boulder sized splashes you

237

00:09:02,150 --> 00:08:59,610

hear in the river but the most notable

238

00:09:04,069 --> 00:09:02,160

are the stories of the skinwalkers we

239

00:09:07,340 --> 00:09:04,079

arrived at the camping site around 9:00

240

00:09:10,040 --> 00:09:07,350

p.m. it was already dark so we started

241

00:09:12,079 --> 00:09:10,050

to unpack and made a fire once that was

242

00:09:14,030 --> 00:09:12,089

done my native buddies put up the

243

00:09:16,819 --> 00:09:14,040

barriers and puffed the smoke of tobacco

244

00:09:19,040 --> 00:09:16,829

upon us as a personal barrier they told

245

00:09:21,319 --> 00:09:19,050

me never to go anywhere alone and that

246

00:09:23,840 --> 00:09:21,329

around 3:00 a.m. is when the spirits are

247

00:09:26,269 --> 00:09:23,850

the most active around 2:00 a.m. the

248

00:09:28,579 --> 00:09:26,279

beating of a drum became very clear this

249

00:09:31,430 --> 00:09:28,589

is a sign of the skinwalker they told me

250

00:09:33,889 --> 00:09:31,440

at around 3 a.m. the smell of wet dog

251

00:09:36,860 --> 00:09:33,899

became apparent this is the sign of

252

00:09:39,740 --> 00:09:36,870

either two things who fee an extremely

253

00:09:41,930 --> 00:09:39,750

evil spirit or the skinwalkers the fire

254

00:09:44,630 --> 00:09:41,940

grew small and we could see the shadows

255

00:09:46,970 --> 00:09:44,640

of animals we all decided to move to

256

00:09:49,790 --> 00:09:46,980

another site in the morning as first

257

00:09:51,829 --> 00:09:49,800

light dawned we packed I sat in the back

258

00:09:54,889 --> 00:09:51,839

of his truck to hold down the stuff as

259

00:09:56,720 --> 00:09:54,899

we left I saw a Rottweiler walking on

260

00:09:59,329 --> 00:09:56,730

its hind legs straight to the middle of

261

00:10:02,000 --> 00:09:59,339

our camp it was easily five feet tall

262

00:10:03,860 --> 00:10:02,010

and had bright orange eyes I freaked out

263

00:10:06,500 --> 00:10:03,870

and screamed as it was running at us

264

00:10:09,019 --> 00:10:06,510

still standing up that disappeared into

265

00:10:11,449 --> 00:10:09,029

a bush after we turned the corner later

266

00:10:13,880 --> 00:10:11,459

on at our other camp an old man with his

267

00:10:16,250 --> 00:10:13,890

face covered up by hair visited us and

268

00:10:18,860 --> 00:10:16,260

acted very strangely we ran out of

269

00:10:21,740 --> 00:10:18,870

drinks so a friend and I decided to head

270

00:10:25,130 --> 00:10:21,750

out on foot no car a friend had to take

271

00:10:27,350 --> 00:10:25,140

it home we saw a car as it approached it

272

00:10:29,960 --> 00:10:27,360

slowed down to a halt and the same man

273

00:10:32,060 --> 00:10:29,970

asked if we wanted a ride we said no

274

00:10:34,490 --> 00:10:32,070

because by this time my friends had told

275

00:10:36,560 --> 00:10:34,500

me the man was a skinwalker he grabbed

276

00:10:38,960 --> 00:10:36,570

my arm and pulled me by his car and

277

00:10:41,030 --> 00:10:38,970

looked straight at me as my friend ran

278

00:10:44,020 --> 00:10:41,040

up to grab me the man took off in his

279

00:10:46,360 --> 00:10:44,030

car once we got back I

280

00:10:48,460 --> 00:10:46,370

it was around dawn when just behind me

281

00:10:50,470 --> 00:10:48,470

the man appeared about ten feet away and

282

00:10:53,140 --> 00:10:50,480

asked if I could help him with something

283

00:10:54,940 --> 00:10:53,150

back at his camp as he did two trucks

284

00:10:57,220 --> 00:10:54,950

came around the corner to head further

285

00:10:59,020 --> 00:10:57,230

into the grounds he watched them as they

286

00:11:01,060 --> 00:10:59,030

passed and then all of a sudden he

287

00:11:03,700 --> 00:11:01,070

bolted after them I was astonished

288

00:11:06,310 --> 00:11:03,710

seeing the sixty year old man chasm down

289

00:11:09,070 --> 00:11:06,320

a car my native friends put up a salt

290

00:11:17,780 --> 00:11:09,080

barrier I heard sounds all night but

291

00:11:22,740 --> 00:11:20,699

skinwalker tradition and encounters as a

292

00:11:24,600 --> 00:11:22,750

teenager I would visit my grandma at her

293

00:11:26,850 --> 00:11:24,610

home on the Navajo Reservation for

294

00:11:28,620 --> 00:11:26,860

several weeks every summer I loved to

295

00:11:30,870 --> 00:11:28,630

spend time with her eat her delicious

296

00:11:33,120 --> 00:11:30,880

fried bread and hear her tell us stories

297

00:11:35,550 --> 00:11:33,130

every so often my grandma would hire a

298

00:11:38,160 --> 00:11:35,560

worker the harmless tantrum to do odd

299

00:11:40,139 --> 00:11:38,170

jobs around her house and property one

300

00:11:42,030 --> 00:11:40,149

evening right before the Sun went down I

301  
00:11:44,189 --> 00:11:42,040  
was asked by my grandma to take him home

302  
00:11:46,230 --> 00:11:44,199  
which was about four miles out of the

303  
00:11:48,509 --> 00:11:46,240  
valley where she lived I was more than

304  
00:11:51,300 --> 00:11:48,519  
happy to seeing that I was only 14 years

305  
00:11:53,100 --> 00:11:51,310  
old and was asked to drive a truck mind

306  
00:11:55,259 --> 00:11:53,110  
you that on the rez nobody cares that

307  
00:11:57,360 --> 00:11:55,269  
you're only 14 years old and driving

308  
00:11:59,579 --> 00:11:57,370  
around hell there's hardly anybody

309  
00:12:01,110 --> 00:11:59,589  
around to see you anywhere so my

310  
00:12:03,210 --> 00:12:01,120  
nine-year-old brother jumped in the

311  
00:12:05,009 --> 00:12:03,220  
truck cab with me while this worker and

312  
00:12:07,410 --> 00:12:05,019  
my dog shared the tailgate of the truck

313  
00:12:09,210 --> 00:12:07,420

and we were off after I dropped the

314

00:12:11,280 --> 00:12:09,220

worker off at the shack that he and his

315

00:12:13,680 --> 00:12:11,290

brothers called a house we headed back

316

00:12:15,840 --> 00:12:13,690

down the road to grandmas as I mentioned

317

00:12:17,670 --> 00:12:15,850

before there was evening and the sky was

318

00:12:20,009 --> 00:12:17,680

a deep red as the Sun began to set

319

00:12:22,079 --> 00:12:20,019

behind us we were leaving a nice dust

320

00:12:23,879 --> 00:12:22,089

trail from the dirt road and the radio

321

00:12:25,980 --> 00:12:23,889

was playing music from the only radio

322

00:12:28,290 --> 00:12:25,990

station that could be picked up from the

323

00:12:30,809 --> 00:12:28,300

nearest town of Holbrook Arizona there

324

00:12:32,519 --> 00:12:30,819

was nothing unusual nothing weird it was

325

00:12:34,379 --> 00:12:32,529

at this time that my eye caught movement

326

00:12:36,629 --> 00:12:34,389

of something in the bushes a little of

327

00:12:38,430 --> 00:12:36,639

the road to the right of us I remember

328

00:12:40,230 --> 00:12:38,440

slowing down thinking that it was one of

329

00:12:41,790 --> 00:12:40,240

the many free roaming sheep in the area

330

00:12:44,069 --> 00:12:41,800

that would dart out in front of the

331

00:12:46,079 --> 00:12:44,079

truck as I passed where I thought I saw

332

00:12:48,180 --> 00:12:46,089

it I sped up thinking nothing else of it

333

00:12:50,610 --> 00:12:48,190

then out of nowhere I just felt this

334

00:12:52,650 --> 00:12:50,620

dark feeling of fear and dread I had no

335

00:12:54,389 --> 00:12:52,660

idea why I was feeling this way

336

00:12:57,000 --> 00:12:54,399

but I definitely felt that something was

337

00:12:59,009 --> 00:12:57,010

wrong as I play this memory back in my

338

00:13:01,139 --> 00:12:59,019

mind there are only a few clear memories

339

00:13:02,790 --> 00:13:01,149

that I have a bet evening I clearly

340

00:13:04,590 --> 00:13:02,800

remember looking in my rearview mirror

341

00:13:06,900 --> 00:13:04,600

and seeing the dark silhouette of

342

00:13:08,670 --> 00:13:06,910

something very tall and very skinny that

343

00:13:10,650 --> 00:13:08,680

seemed to be covered with some kind of

344

00:13:13,050 --> 00:13:10,660

hair for running behind the truck after

345

00:13:14,460 --> 00:13:13,060

us whatever it was it wasn't a normal

346

00:13:16,650 --> 00:13:14,470

human or human at all

347

00:13:18,629 --> 00:13:16,660

I remember hearing my brother crying and

348

00:13:19,710 --> 00:13:18,639

my dog barking ferociously at whatever

349

00:13:21,900 --> 00:13:19,720

was chasing us

350

00:13:23,910 --> 00:13:21,910

I remember speeding very fast and

351  
00:13:26,309 --> 00:13:23,920  
shaking violently as the truck bounced

352  
00:13:27,870 --> 00:13:26,319  
on the washboard dirt road I distinctly

353  
00:13:29,330 --> 00:13:27,880  
remember that this thing was only

354  
00:13:31,580 --> 00:13:29,340  
getting closer as my

355  
00:13:33,650 --> 00:13:31,590  
the cried it's coming up on your side I

356  
00:13:35,420 --> 00:13:33,660  
remember being as scared as hell and

357  
00:13:37,130 --> 00:13:35,430  
thinking that I didn't want to die at

358  
00:13:39,680 --> 00:13:37,140  
the moment that I thought would be our

359  
00:13:41,510 --> 00:13:39,690  
last I remember speeding around a bend

360  
00:13:43,730 --> 00:13:41,520  
in the road and seeing a car coming

361  
00:13:45,860 --> 00:13:43,740  
towards us in the opposite direction at

362  
00:13:47,630 --> 00:13:45,870  
that moment I felt instant relief and

363  
00:13:48,170 --> 00:13:47,640

felt that whatever was following us was

364

00:13:50,270 --> 00:13:48,180

gone

365

00:13:51,950 --> 00:13:50,280

shaken up but alive we made it to

366

00:13:53,030 --> 00:13:51,960

Grandma's house wondering what the hell

367

00:13:55,430 --> 00:13:53,040

had just happened

368

00:13:57,080 --> 00:13:55,440

we ran inside not looking back hoping

369

00:13:59,480 --> 00:13:57,090

that whatever was chasing us did not

370

00:14:01,370 --> 00:13:59,490

followed us home as we told my grandma

371

00:14:03,200 --> 00:14:01,380

about our experience she didn't seem too

372

00:14:05,600 --> 00:14:03,210

surprised which surprised us

373

00:14:07,190 --> 00:14:05,610

she continued by repeating stories that

374

00:14:09,290 --> 00:14:07,200

we have already heard at one point or

375

00:14:11,450 --> 00:14:09,300

another about black magic witches and

376

00:14:14,000 --> 00:14:11,460

something that the Navajos call Unadilla

377

00:14:15,770 --> 00:14:14,010

sheer skinwalkers needless to say I

378

00:14:17,720 --> 00:14:15,780

didn't even want to look out any of the

379

00:14:20,150 --> 00:14:17,730

windows of all the rest of that night as

380

00:14:22,220 --> 00:14:20,160

a matter of fact I never drove on the

381

00:14:24,530 --> 00:14:22,230

reservation at night until I was 21

382

00:14:26,510 --> 00:14:24,540

years old without going too deep into

383

00:14:28,550 --> 00:14:26,520

explanation I'll just say that these

384

00:14:31,280 --> 00:14:28,560

skinwalkers are evil men and spirits

385

00:14:32,930 --> 00:14:31,290

that use black magic for evil do I tell

386

00:14:35,450 --> 00:14:32,940

you that as far-fetched as it may sound

387

00:14:37,340 --> 00:14:35,460

they are real I believe that if God and

388

00:14:39,920 --> 00:14:37,350

his greatness are real the devil is

389

00:14:42,110 --> 00:14:39,930

equally as real and also has his ways of

390

00:14:44,270 --> 00:14:42,120

showing himself this may not sound very

391

00:14:46,640 --> 00:14:44,280

scary to some readers and that may be

392

00:14:48,140 --> 00:14:46,650

due to my lack of writing skills but

393

00:14:49,940 --> 00:14:48,150

what happened that evening really did

394

00:14:52,580 --> 00:14:49,950

happen and scared the living crap out of

395

00:14:54,500 --> 00:14:52,590

me I invite anybody to visit this part

396

00:14:56,720 --> 00:14:54,510

of Arizona if you have any doubt or one

397

00:14:58,970 --> 00:14:56,730

huge scare I promise you that you won't

398

00:15:00,950 --> 00:14:58,980

be disappointed I hope that you enjoyed

399

00:15:08,200 --> 00:15:00,960

my story and I look forward to sharing

400

00:15:13,760 --> 00:15:11,420

this is lawn Strickler if you like this

401

00:15:16,610 --> 00:15:13,770

program it would help us if you would

402

00:15:19,100 --> 00:15:16,620

give it a thumbs up then subscribe and

403

00:15:21,500 --> 00:15:19,110

click the bell icon so you get

404

00:15:24,199 --> 00:15:21,510

notification when we upload new first

405

00:15:27,410 --> 00:15:24,209

person encounters we have many more to

406

00:15:30,110 --> 00:15:27,420

come very soon and by the way if you