

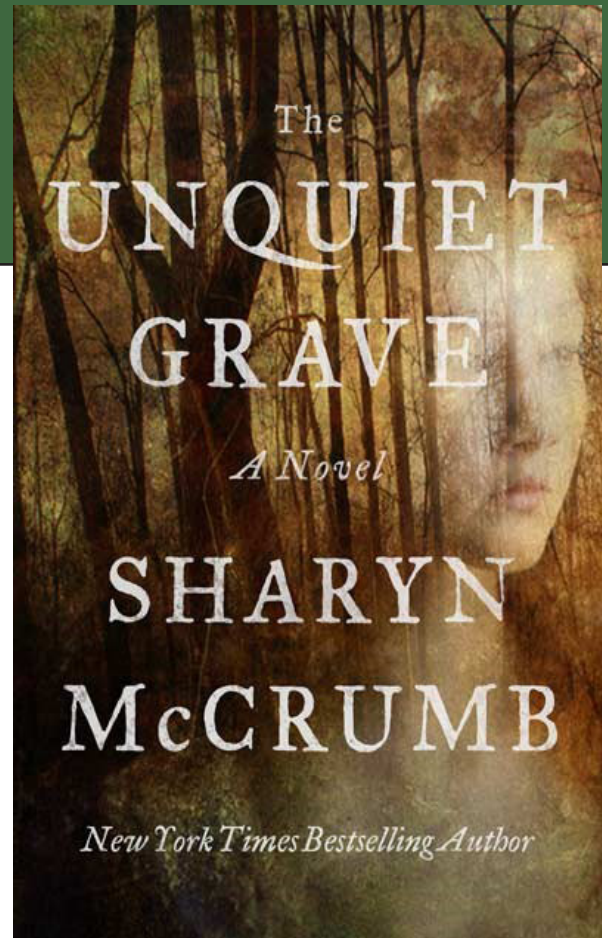
Friends of the Morristown-Hamblen  
Public Library Foundation present:

*New York Times* bestselling author

# Sharyn McCrumb

Morristown-Hamblen Library  
Thursday, October 12, 2017

7pm  
book signing to follow



The Greenbrier Ghost is renowned in American folklore, but Sharyn McCrumb is the first author to look beneath the legend to unearth the facts.

Using a century of genealogical material and other historical documents, McCrumb reveals new information about the story and brings to life the personalities in the trial: the prosecutor, a former Confederate cavalryman; the defense attorney, a pro-Union bridgeburner, who nevertheless had owned slaves; and the mother of the murdered woman, who doggedly sticks to her ghost story—all seen through the eyes of a young black lawyer on the cusp of a new century, with his own tragedies yet to come.

Sharyn McCrumb, an award-winning Southern writer, is best known for her Appalachian “Ballad” novels, including the *New York Times* best sellers *The Ballad of Tom Dooley*, *The Ballad of Frankie Silver*, and *The Songcatcher*. *Ghost Riders*, which won the Wilma Dykeman Award for Literature from the East Tennessee Historical Society and the national Audie Award for Best Recorded Books. *The Unquiet Grave*, a novel about West Virginia’s Greenbrier Ghost, will be published in September by Atria, a division of Simon & Schuster.