

Tour Number Four

This tour includes the cemeteries of, **Las Palomas** 7 miles S of Truth or Consequences on NM 187.

San Miguel on Palomas Creek, 6 miles SW of Cuchillo.

And information on the **Eugene Manlove Rhodes** gravesite tour



LAS PALOMAS (the doves) — was named for the flocks of doves in the cottonwoods near the Rio Grande.

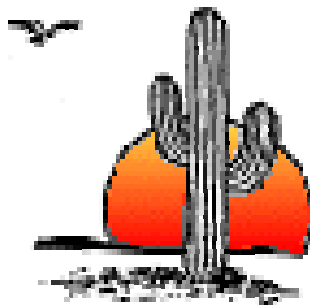
The village was founded in 1856, by the Garcia and Tafoya families. The location was attractive because of the important transportation route, and the hot springs. After the Indians left the area, a number of mines opened in the Caballo Mountains.

Los Palomas Cemetery

Take I-25 to the Las Palomas exit to Hwy 185. This a western type cemetery with no sexton or phone. It is still being used today. All known grave sites were recorded on Nov 20 1980 and an Addendum in 1995 by the Sierra County Genealogical Society.

Los Palomas Family Cemetery

These are three Family Cemeteries. Armijo's Cemetery and the Tidd Cemetery is on the South side of Palomas Creek. Apodaca's Cemetery on the North side of Creek. The community of Las Palomas five miles south of Truth or Consequences was founded about 1863.



SAN MIGUEL - This is a settlement located on Palomas Creek, with a church, and a few remaining scattered buildings. It is known to its residents for strange ghostly lights that appear and disappear from out of nowhere and without reason. No one has been able to explain these phenomena as they leave no trace nor indicate any human or animal intervention.

This is an old western type cemetery and is no longer in use. There are 44 recorded grave sites.



The Sierra County Genealogical Society has gathered the information presented in this and the other three tour guides as well as all the known cemeteries and burial sites in Sierra County. Published books, contain names and dates an inscriptions are available from the society and at the Library.

