

Eugene Manlove Rhodes, well known Southwestern writer, owned a ranch on the west WSMR boundary at what is known today as Rhodes Canyon. Rhodes moved to New Mexico in 1887 and wrote many western/cowboy novels including *Paso por aqui* (Passed through this way) which was made into the movie entitled "Four Faces West" starring Joel McCrea and Charles Bickford. The Eugene Manlove Rhodes grave is located on the White Sands Missile Range on the Diamond A property just a few hundred yards inside the Military Range Gate. Take I25 to State Hwy 70 to Alamogordo. Check at the White Sands National Monument for precise directions. For a number of years the Geronimo Springs Museum in Truth or Consequences, through the cooperation of the missile range, has conducted an annual visit to his grave located at Rhodes Pass. Rhodes, who did most of his writing on the East Coast years after living in New Mexico, died at age 65 in 1934.

The Eugene Manlove Rhodes gravesite free tour takes place on a Saturday, in Oct. It is sponsored by the Tularosa Basin Historical Society, Geronimo Springs Museum, New Mexico State University-Alamogordo, and White Sands Missile Range. Because of increased security on the missile range where the site is located, visitors must register beforehand by calling TBHS (434-

4438), the Geronimo Springs Museum, (505-894-6600), or public affairs as WSMR (678-1134). Local historians Dr. David Townsend, Pete Eidenbach and Parry Larson present programs at the gravesite. Terrain is rugged, elevation is 6,500 feet and there are no services. The site is within White Sands Missile Range.



Rhodes Eugene Manlove
Jan 19 1869 to Jun 27 1934
Paso por aqui (Passed through this way)



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