

2015 Walking Tour - Meet Tucson's Pioneers

Holy Hope Cemetery 3555 N. Oracle Road, Tucson, AZ



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Visit gravesites of Tucson's pioneers and hear stories of early Tucson from living history interpreters!!

When: Saturday, March 28, 2015 **9:00 a.m.** **Registration**
Time: 9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m. ***9:30 a.m.** **Tour**
Cost: \$15.00 pp **11:00 a.m.** **Light Snacks**

****Note: Please RSVP by March 25, 2015**

* Questions? Please contact Betty Cook - (520) 886-3363 -or- cbetty@cox.net



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Please detach registration form below and mail with check to:
Betty Cook, 8258 E. Kenyon Dr., Tucson AZ 85710

Registration Form

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Name/s: _____

Address: _____ City/State/Zip: _____

Total number attending: _____ x \$15 = _____ Email: _____

Tucson Pioneers – March 28, 2015

Mariano (1844-1907) and Bertolo (1848-1881) Samaniego – Mariano served four terms on the Territorial Legislature, was member of the Board of Regents of the University of Arizona, the Tucson City Council, and he was a President of the Arizona Pioneer Historical Society. He founded the Canada del Oro and the Rillito Ranches. Many times he faced danger during confrontations with the Indians, and in an ambush in 1881 his brother Bertolo was killed.

Jesusita (1847-1880) and Elvira (1836-1906) Carrillo – Jesusita and Elvira Suarez, sisters from Mexico, both married Leopoldo Carrillo. Jesusita and Leopoldo had several children and she died in childbirth. Elvira lived with them to help with the children and she later married Leopoldo. Leopoldo built the first public park, Carrillo Gardens, which was later named Elysian Grove. The Carrillo School is named in his honor. The family home still stands and is owned by the Arizona Historical Society.

Juan (1838-1896) and Jesus Elias (1829-1896) – Juan and Jesus, brothers and sons of Juan Bautista Elias, are third generation of this pioneer family. Both brothers were ranchers and both served in the Arizona Territorial Legislature. The family lived in Tubac where they were born, and later moved to Tucson because of Indian problems. Their families experienced many Indian raids on their ranches, suffered the loss of many of their animals, also many injuries and the loss of some of the family members.

Frederick (Fritz) (1831-1909) and Margarita Contzen (1846-1937) – Fritz sailed with his brother Julius from Germany when he was seventeen, landing in Galveston, Texas. They came to Arizona and established the Punta de Agua Ranch. While on a supply trip for the ranch they were attacked by Indians, Fritz was shot in the knee from which he suffered the rest of his life. Julius received eighteen wounds from which he died two years later. In 1873 Fritz took Margarita back to Germany, while there she had the honor of attending the wedding of King William III and Princess Emma of Waldeck.

Carlos Jacome (1870-1932) and Trinidad Montijo Germain (1849-1938) – Carlos came to Tucson from Mexico with his mother when he was nine years old. He opened Jacome and Carrillo Department Store in 1896, it became Jacome and Manzo in 1900, and finally Jacome's in 1913. It continued to be run by the family into the late 1900's. Carlos had thirteen children when his wife, Dionesia died young. Her mother, "Dona Trini" stepped in to help him raise the children. She had to hide her booze in a steamer trunk so that her nine grandsons could not find it.