

# **Bernadette & Rick Miera**

## **1011 Forrester NW**

Rick grew up in Forrester Avenue (1301 - North of Mountain Road) and attended St. Mary's School and graduated from Albuquerque High School. Bernadette is also from ABQ. She graduated from Highland High School. Both Rick and Bernadette have a long family history in New Mexico. Rick's parents, Robert and Stella were born and raised in Algodones, just north of Bernalillio. Bernadette's parents, Carlos Martinez and Aurora (Romero) Martinez were from Pintada near Ft. Sumner in eastern New Mexico.



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Remodeling the house:

We were told there was a major upgrade of the house in the 1970's by the Norlanders. It included electrical work, duct work and opening of the porch. Our recent renovation included restoring the ceiling in the dining room to its original height which exposed the wonderful arch shown in the picture. We also removed the ceiling to the rafters in the living room beyond which gave the room a sense of open space



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Halloween on Forrester Avenue:

Did you know that the yearly Halloween celebration on Forrester originated as a response to the terrorist attack of 9/11 in New York? [Click here](#) to read how this wonderful neighborhood celebration got started.



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Marriage portrait:

Great grand parents of Bernadette Miera, Salomé & Sabinita Martinez. Salomé was a politician and Sabinita ran the ranch in Pintada, NM.



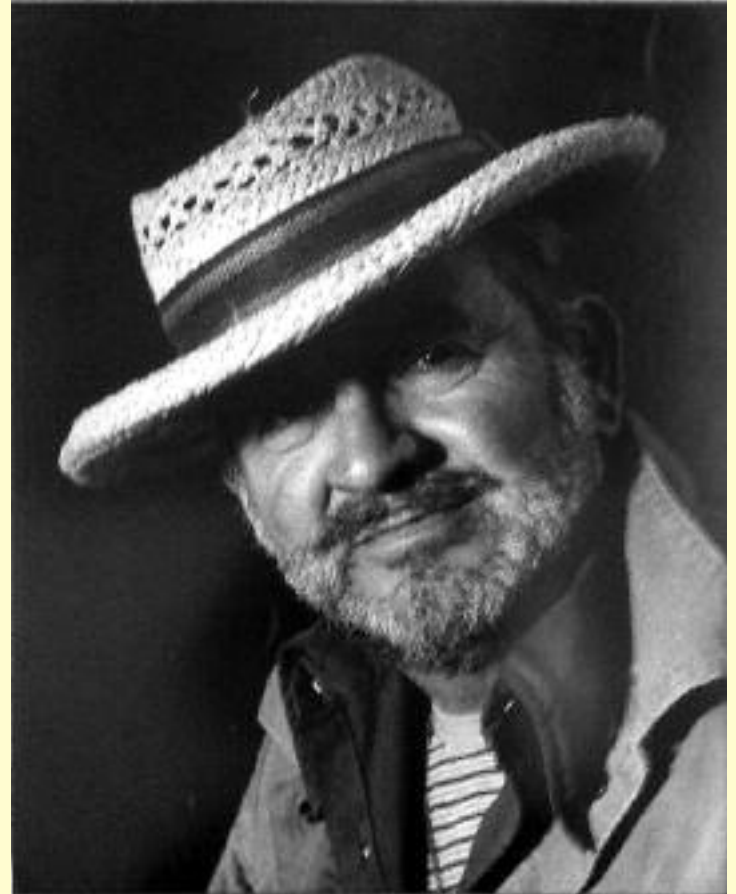
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Salome Martinez, Bernadette's great grand father was a large land owner and sheep rancher along with his wife Subinita. He was also a territorial legislator and served in the Constitutional Convention of 1910.



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Carlos Martinez, Bernadette's father, was born and raised in Pintada, NM. When he came back from serving in the Navy in WWII in the Philippines, he made his home in Santa Fe. He married Aurora Romero in 1952 and they raised five children in Albuquerque. Carlos passed away in July of 2013.





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Forrester Avenue NW in 1925

1011 Forrester was built by the Toulouse family in 1904. Jim Toulouse, shown in the photo, was a prominent Albuquerque attorney.

