

# *Fuimos, Somos y Seremos*



**Los Reyes de Albuquerque**

# The Story:

One of the most long lived, as well as most influential of New Mexican Hispanic groups has been Los Reyes de Albuquerque which was founded in 1962.

The group has dedicated itself to the preservation, perpetuation and promotion of the Hispanic traditional music and culture of New Mexico. But they are not mere preservers; they have been an active force in the musical life of New Mexico, adapting and changing as the cultural forces and expressive needs of the community have adapted and changed, and being in the forefront of bringing new influences to bear in expressing New Mexican Hispanic musical and cultural identity.

The founding members of the group were Roberto Martinez, Ray Flores, Miguel Archibeque, George Benavidas and Isidro Chavez. Roberto's son, Lorenzo, joined the group a short time later when he was a mere twelve years old. The group still has four of its original members. One of the original members, George Benavidas passed away and Isidro Chavez left the group some time ago. However, since its creation, numerous musicians have used the venue offered by the group to develop their stage presence, showmanship and skills. Also, the group always welcomes members of other groups, such as Stanley Gutierrez, Miguel Romero, Ralph Gallegos, Michael "Guerro" Romero and Sheila Martinez to contribute their talents and participate in their efforts and activities. Sheila and "Guerro" sing a duet on "Hablando Claro".

The title of this CD "FUIMOS, SOMOS Y SEREMOS" (WE'VE BEEN, WE ARE AND WE WILL BE) expresses the aspirations of this group to continue with its goals as long as GOD permits it. We hope you will find these 21 selections to your liking.



## The Artists:

Ray Flores	<i>Trumpet, vocalist</i>
Roberto Martinez	<i>Vihuela, vocalist</i>
Miguel Archibeque	<i>Guitar, vocalist</i>
Lorenzo Martinez	<i>Violin, vocalist</i>
Larry Martinez	<i>Guitar, vihuela</i>
Rob Martinez	<i>Guitar, vocalist</i>
Angela Perez	<i>Violin, vocalist</i>
Sheila Martinez	<i>Violin, vocalist</i>

Miguel Romero *Accordian, vocalist*  
Stanley Gutierrez *Requinto, vocalist*  
Isidro Chavez *Guitarron, accordian*  
George Benavidez *Guitarron*

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- 1 PAJARO PRIETO
- 2 HABLANDO CLARO
- 3 TU RECUERDO Y YO
- 4 UNA PURA Y DOS CON SAL
- 5 HOMENAJE A ROBERTO MARTINEZ  
(STEVE ORTIZ)
- 6 ME DE COMER ESA TUNA

- 8 OJITOS VERDES
- 9 UNA DIA A LA VEZ
- 10 NUEVA ROSITA POLKA
- 11 GRITENME PIEDRAS DEL CAMPO
- 12 VALENTIN DE LA SIERRA
- 13 LAMENTO DEL CASADO  
(ROBERTO MARTINEZ)

- 15 CANTA CANTA CANTA
- 16 SANGRE CALIENTE
- 17 LOS LAURELES
- 18 LAS MAÑANITAS DE FLOSCELA  
(ROBERTO MARTINEZ)
- 19 EL RANCHO GRANDE
- 20 AMOR POR AMOR



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