

## Pride History – Honoring our Community

The following are the Grand Marshals, Honored Dignitaries and Honored Guests we've had over the years. If you can fill in any of the previous years, please let us know so we can update our records and history.

- 2006 Grand Marshal: David Kopay, NFL Football Player  
Headliner: Tiffany  
Featured Performer: Maxine Nightengale  
Honored Dignitaries: Community – Metropolitan Community Church of Albuquerque  
Political – Virginia Stevenson, activist  
Arts – Raymond Sandoval, artist  
Ally – Martha Doster, Martha's Body Bueno
- 2005 Grand Marshals: Delmas Howe and Harmony Hammond, artists  
Headliner: Ultra Naté  
Featured Performer: Gioia  
Honored Dignitaries: Community – Midnyte (aka Michael Tellez), Manager of Albuquerque Mining Company  
Political – Lynn Perls, attorney  
Arts – Hal Simons, Artistic Director, Musical Theatre Southwest  
Ally – Nambe, [www.nambe.com](http://www.nambe.com)
- 2004 Grand Marshal: Mel White, Soulforce  
Headliner: Pepper MaShay, "Dive into the Pool"  
Featured Performer: Paul Lekakis, "Boom, boom, boom – Let's go back to my room"  
Honored Dignitaries: Community – George Rombold, Emanuel Metropolitan Community Church  
Political – Steve Helmrich, Normal Heart/Las Cruces  
Ally – Christy Carbon-Gaul, Sutin, Thayer & Browne
- 2003 Grand Marshal: Dominique Sanchez, Miss Gay America 2003  
Headliner: Thea Austin, "Rhythm is a Dancer"  
Honored Dignitaries: Community – United Court of the Sandia  
Political – Abraham Placencio, Coalition for Equality in NM  
Ally – Jean & Jim Genasci, Parents & Friends of Lesbians & Gay (PFLAG)
- 2002 Grand Marshal: Patricia Nell Warren, author  
Honorary Grand Marshal: Thelma Houston, performer  
Honored Dignitaries: Community – John Fleming  
Political – Jo Kenney, Coalition for Equality in NM  
Ally – Jean & Joe Travis, Names Project NM
- 2001 Grand Marshal: Deian McBryde, performer + graduate of Rio Grande High  
Honored Dignitaries: Community – Erika Novich, Emmanuel MCC  
Political – Gloria Nieto, Coalition for Equality in NM

Ally – Toots Obenshain, PFLAG

2000 Grand Marshal: Mother Jose, mother of international court system  
Honored Dignitaries: Jerry Small  
Havens Levitt, WIMIM

**NOTE:** *Pride made a decision in 2000 to recognize a national known individual as our Grand Marshal and use the Honored Dignitary title for our local leaders.*

1999 Grand Marshals: PJ Sedillo, Albuquerque Pride organizer  
Anne Frost/Mary Morell (Full Circle Books)  
Honored Dignitaries: Ed Clayton, G & L Veterans National President  
Hate Crime Victims – those who could not be here

1998 Grand Marshals: Jon Hull/Alan Stringer  
Honored Dignitaries: Kerry Lobel, Director of the NGLTF Sonia Bettez  
Sandy Lane, PFLAG  
Pat Langlois, Emmanuel MCC

1997 Grand Marshals: Lois Dickerman/Under 21 Group

1996 Grand Marshal: PFLAG  
Honored Guest: Liz Canfield

1995 Grand Marshal: ?

1994 Grand Marshals: Liz Stefanics, politician  
Tom Rutherford, politician

1993 Grand Marshal: Dusty Pruitt, gay veteran/MCC Pastor

1992 Grand Marshal: Troy Perry, founder of UFMCC

No history available for 1978 – 1991

1977 Harry Hay, community activist

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