



# State of New Mexico

## *Department of Public Safety*

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### **Roll Over near Portales Leads to Fatal Crash**

Portales - New Mexico State Police Officers investigate the fatal accident involving Portales resident Jose Mendoza, 2-23-1970. Just after 7:00 PM on June 28, 2009, New Mexico State Police Officers investigated a reported single vehicle rollover accident on Roosevelt Road "W" near Roosevelt Road "7".

The investigation has determined that the driver, Alejandro Mendoza (2/13/1993) of Portales, was traveling north on Roosevelt Road "W" when the vehicle he was driving, a 2002 Chevy Cavalier, drifted off the roadway. As the car drifted onto the shoulder in a broadside skid it rolled onto its top, during the roll the passenger Jose Mendoza suffered fatal head injuries. Jose Mendoza was pronounced deceased by the Office of the Medical Investigator.

Alcohol was not a contributing factor in this crash and seat belts were utilized by the Mendoza's.

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