

Centenary of singing cowboy Roy Rogers

- **1911:** Born November 5, in Cincinnati, Ohio as **Leonard Franklin Slye**
- **1929:** Family moves west to California as Depression era looms
- **1934:** Forms cowboy music group, **Sons of the Pioneers**
- **1938:** First lead movie role, replacing Gene Autry in **Under Western Stars**
- **1938-51:** Appears in over 100 films, with wife **Dale Evans**, palomino horse **Trigger**, and dog **Bullet**
- **1951-57:** **Roy Rogers Show** airs on NBC TV after nine years on radio
- **1968:** **Roy Rogers Restaurants** chain founded – Rogers second only to Walt Disney in terms of brands carrying his name
- **1998:** Dies July 6, from congestive heart failure
- **Awards:** Include four stars on Hollywood Walk of Fame

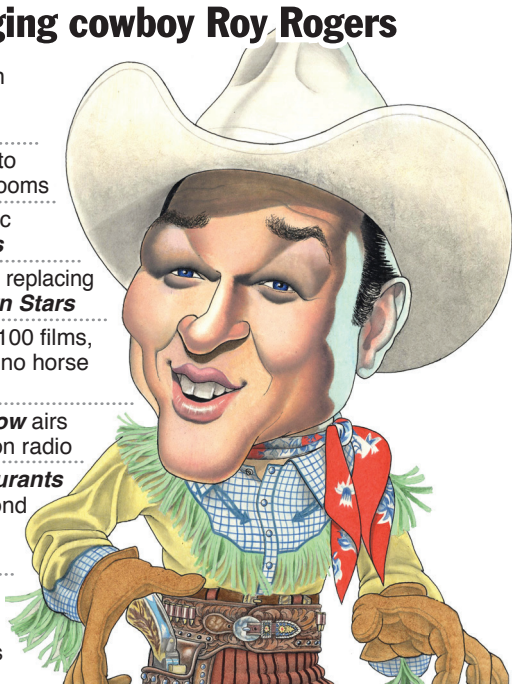


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