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History of Camarillo

Name

Camarillo is named after Adolfo and Juan Camarillo, two of the remaining Californios to secure the city's heritage after the influx of Anglo Settlers.

Brief History

Camarillo has an extensive history that dates back to the 1800's. The Camarillo Ranch, once Rancho Calleguas, was one of the last Mexican Land grants given by Governor Alvarado to Jose Pedro Ruiz in 1847. Juan Camarillo (1812-1880) obtained the ranch from Jose Pedro Ruiz in 1875 and once Juan passed on, his son Adolfo Camarillo, the oldest son, took over the ranch and family business. The city's namesake was an innovative businessman and for 78 years helped the community in numerous ways.

Established

Camarillo officially became a Ventura County city in 1964. Plans for expansion began that year to transform the city into a more attractive environment.

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