

## ROY COOPER

The late Hobbs New Mexico native, is a former American professional rodeo cowboy who competed in Professional Rodeo Cowboys Association (PRCA) events for over two decades.

Inducted into the Pro Rodeo Hall of Fame in Colorado Springs, Colorado, in 1979, Cooper was part of the Hall's inaugural class enshrined in the category of Tie-Down Roping, For his skills in calf roping, he acquired the nickname "Super Looper". The Pro Rodeo Hall of Fame calls Cooper "one of the most dominant ropers in the sport's history."

Cooper won the 1976 PRCA Rookie of the Year, the 1976 and 1980-84 PRCA calf roping world championship, the 1983 PRCA steer roping world championship, the 1983 PRCA all-around world championship and the 1992 PRCA Texas Circuit calf roping championship.

Cooper is a 1979 Pro Rodeo Hall of Famer, a 1983 Rodeo Hall of Famer of the National Cowboy and Western Heritage Museum, a 2008 Texas Rodeo Hall of Famer, a 2009 Lea County Sports Hall of Famer, and a 2014 Oklahoma Sports Hall of Famer.

Sadly, Roy passed away in the spring of 2025. The New Mexico Sports Hall of Fame salutes the "Super Looper."

