Blue rainbow 1978 to 2028 Roger Malina rocket stories

Blue Rainbow was the name of a rocket payload that gave me the data to obtain my PhD at UC Berkeley. Fellow student at the time Randy kimble sent me these recollectonms and heart warming photos from white sands missile range

Where my father frank malina and tem launched the first object to reach outer space beyond the Karman boundary- the WAC corporal.



From randy kimble

Anyway, as I mentioned, I'm planning to write a little career memoir for the family, and as an intro to the sounding rocket portion (German Aries), I was planning to describe my first taste of White Sands, helping out a little bit with your rocket. Found those few personal photos, but would be delighted if you had available digital copies of a few key official shots from your

campaign: your payload before launch and at recovery, and the couple shots of the impressive marksmanship of putting the Nike back in through the roof of the 350 tower (a story I've told many times over the decades). I recall a great overhead shot with the hole in the roof looking like a Road Runner cartoon as the fins punched through the sheet metal (I went out on the helicopter with you for the recovery in the morning and saw that view). And the burned out casing after it punched a hole in the concrete floor is a nice shot too.

Any chance you still have these around in a format you could send me? That would be great.

Thanks a lot,

Best regards,

Randy



Randy Kimble Gerry Penegpr Amelia Marshall at White Sands Missile Range



Roger Mlalina Amelia Marshall

This happiness led to other launches including EUVE satellite





