**Will Rogers Medallion Awards**

**Gold Medallion**, Traditional Western, *Rio Hondo*, Five Star, 2022

**Gold Medallion**, Western Humor, *Outlaw West of the Pecos*, Wolfpack Publishing, 2022

**Gold Medallion**, Western Humor, *First Herd to Abilene*, Wolfpack Publishing, 2020

**Gold Medallion**, Short Story, “The Hope Chest,” *The Spoilt Quilt and Other Frontier*

*Stories: Pioneering Women of the West*—Cengage/Gale, 2019

**Gold Medallion**, “A Grave Too Many,” *Contention and Other Frontier Stories: A Five*

*Star Anthology*—Cengage/Gale, 2019

**Gold Medallion**, Western Humor, *Bluster’s Last Stand*, Wild Horse Press, October 2017

**Silver Medallion**, Short Non-Fiction, “There’ll Be a Caterwauling in the Old Town

Tonight,” *Wild West* magazine (Winter Issue 2022)

**Silver Medallion**, Western Humor *North to Alaska*, Wolfpack Publishing, 2020

**Bronze Medallion**, Western Humor, *Call of the Wilde*, Wolfpack Publishing, 2024

**Bronze Medallion**, Western Humor, *Cat Tales of the Old West*: *Poems, Puns &*

*Perspectives on Frontier Felines*, Bariso Press, 2021

**Spur Awards (Western Writers of America)**

**Recipient**, Best Western Novel, *Blood of Texas*, HarperPaperbacks, 1996

**Recipient**, Best Short Non-Fiction, 1993, “Bluster’s Last Stand,” *True West* (April &

May 1992)

**Finalist**, Juvenile Nonfiction, *More Cat Tales of the Old West: Triumphs, Trials & Trivia*

*of Frontier Felines*, Bariso Press, 2024

**Finalist**, Best Original Paperback, *Mix-Up at the O.K. Corral*, Bantam, 1996

**Finalist**, Best Original Paperback, *The Redemption of Jesse James*, Bantam, 1995

**Finalist**, Best Western Novel, *Lone Survivor*, HarperPaperbacks, 1995

**Finalist,** Best Short Non-Fiction, “Faro Is A Four-Letter Word,” *True West*, (October

1989)

**Elmer Kelton Award (West Texas Historical Association)**

**Recipient**, Best Creative Work on West Texas, *The Fleecing of Fort Griffin*, Wild Horse

Press, 2016

**Recipient**, Best Creative Work on West Texas, *Blanca Is My Name*, Eakin Press, 2002

**Recipient**, Best Creative Work on West Texas, *They Call Me Old Blue*, Eakin Press,

2001

**American Legacy Book Awards**

**Finalist**, Western, *The Fleecing of Fort Griffin*, for books of literary merit published over

the past decade, 2024

**Independent Author Awards**

**Recipient**, Western Nonfiction, *Cat Tales of the Old West: Poems, Puns, and*

*Perspectives on Frontier Felines*, Bariso Press, 2024

**Finalist**, Memoir, *Cotton-Picking Folks: Eulogy for a Texas Depression Era Family*,

Bariso Press, 2024

**Finalist**, Humor, *Jokes from a Humorless Machine: A Comedic Romp through Artificial*

*Intelligence*, Bariso Press, co-authored with Harriet Kocher Lewis, 2024

**Literary Global Book Awards**

**Recipient**, Cookbook, *Recipes from a Tasteless Machine: A Culinary Journey through*

*Artificial Intelligence*, co-authored with Harriet Kocher Lewis, 2024

**Lone Star Literary Life**

**Recipient**, Perfect Five Award, *Rio Ruidoso*, Five Star, February 2020

**Recipient,** Blogger’s Choice Award, Best Western, *The Fleecing of Fort Griffin*, Wild

Horse Press, May 2016.

**Finalist**, Blogger’s Choice Award, Best Humor, *The Gulag P-Pa Diaries: A Bittersweet*

*Memoir of Grand-Parenting*, CKN Christian Publishing, April 2020

**Finalist**, Blogger’s Choice Award, Best Western, *Rio Ruidoso*, Five Star, February 2020