

Erik Joe Magnusson

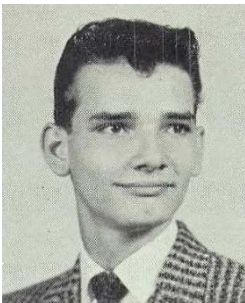
December 16, 1943 (Richmond Heights, MO) June 20, 1972 (Madison, WI)

Erik Jo Magnusson, 29, was born in Richmond Heights, MO on December 26, 1943, to Hjalmar Magnusson and Violet Lucille Kirby Magnusson Killebrew and the Grandson of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Kirby, Rockford, IL.

A product of Rockford public schools, Erik was active in West High School theater arts including the A Capella Choir, Madrigals, and Knights of the Turntable. He starred in "Wizard of Oz," "H.M.S. Pinafore," "Brigadoon," and "Witness for the Prosecution." He graduated with the Class of 1961. After High School, he achieved the rank of Airman 2nd Class in the United States Air Force. He and Kay Louise Higbee Magnusson married on March 16, 1967.



On June 20, 1972, Erik, and friends drove from Rockford to Madison to play golf at the Madison, WI Lake Windsor Country Club. Rickey had just completed his game when, according to the Coroner, Clyde Chamberlain and his Deputy, Donald Scullion, Ricky collapsed from an apparent heart attack.



Erik was survived by his now late Wife; Mother; Grandparents; Daughters, Laurie Ann and Christina Jo Magnusson, and Erika Lynn "Rikilynn" (Jeffrey Wayne) Shaffer; Grandchildren, Grandchildren, Erik Joe, Tasha Nichole, and Tyler Phillip Maiville; and Great Granddaughter, Adrianna. He was predeceased by his Father.

Arrangements were handled by Rockford's Burpee Woods Funeral Home. He was laid to rest in the Arlington Memorial

Park Cemetery.

References:

Wisconsin State Journal, June 21, 1972

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