

DAVID ANTHONY IFE HORNE



(Macarthur House, 1965)

HORNE David Anthony Ife 7598 (1959–66)
JI Horne School Master TKS Parramatta;
Prep, Bri, Jnr Mac, Mac, Cdt. Violet
Macansh Scholarship 1962, Photographer
and Writer. Dec'd ~~01/01/1984~~ [16 26.01
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Born	1 August 1950	Sydney
Died	31 August 1982	Paris, France

David knew more about King's than most boys when he started in the Prep in 1959 because his father had been a master from 1954 and was housemaster of Broughton from 1957 to 1964, when it was at Thomas St, Parramatta.

John Ife and Sybil Dagmar (nee Williams) had married in Melbourne in 1941, where John was a teacher. In October 1943 John enlisted in the RAAF becoming a Leading Aircraftman during WW2. Older brother Michael¹ was born in Melbourne, followed by David in 1950. David grew up from the age of four in the King's community.

Contemporaries at Macarthur House remember David as a very bright student but in many ways self-reliant to the extent that despite many years of boarding together none of us knew him well.

Even with his obvious academic talents, David left King's before the HSC. He then spent time living with his parents at Mosman, where in 1972 he was a photographer.

In 1977 he was living at Lower MacDonald on the Hawkesbury River, working as a ferry driver.

Much later we were to discover that David had died while in Paris, on Tuesday 31 August 1982. By this time his parents were living at Bangalow on the north coast of NSW, and they arranged for David to be buried in the Bangalow Cemetery. John was buried there when he died in 1983 and the ashes of Sybil (known as Billie) were lodged there after she died in 2006.



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¹ Michael (1943 to 2016) was an OB (1956 to 1961) becoming Head of Psychiatry Unit In-Patients Stanford University USA and Professor, Department of Psychiatry University of Washington.