



Robert A. Andresen, SP5, USA

Saigon (63-64)

Robert A. Andresen of Chicago died peacefully at home on Thursday, August 30, 2018, ending his lengthy fight against lung cancer. He was 77. He was preceded in death by his brother, Hans Andresen, and sister, Joan Andresen Ott. Bob served in the Army in Viet Nam in 1963-64 and enjoyed a long career in radio and television news with American Forces Network in Saigon and in Frankfurt, Germany. Returning to the US in 1977, he joined NBC, CBS and Fox stations in Chicago and Philadelphia, winning an Emmy for broadcast journalism in each city. He also taught broadcast journalism classes as an adjunct professor at Medill, Loyola, Columbia, and the University of Illinois. In retirement, Bob was a long-term docent at the Field Museum in Chicago, sharing his extensive knowledge of Ancient Egypt with visitors to the museum. He was also an official City of Chicago Greeter, giving walking tours focused on city history and architecture. He was dearly loved by his wife, Elaine Quinn, and by sons Rob (Joe) Andresen-Tenace of Tacoma, WA, and Rick (Elisha Anderson) Andresen of Minneapolis, MN, from his first marriage to Sandra Andresen, nee Erbe; and by nieces Marlene (Russ) Tilsner, and Karlene (Neil) Broesch. He will be deeply missed by countless friends and colleagues. Funeral services will be privately held.



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