

Eric Alan Jones '68

Eric Alan Jones. died on December 4, 2011, at the Life House in San Diego, CA, following a lengthy terminal illness. Eric came to Dartmouth from Wayland, MA. He was extraordinarily active at Dartmouth, serving on the Class Executive Committee and in the Undergraduate Council, performing in both the Glee Club and Injunaires, and was a founder of the Dartmouth Religious Liberals club. Eric was also a member of Kappa Kappa Kappa. While an undergraduate, he directed several musicals at Hanover High School, and after graduation, continued there as a teacher. He also worked at the Dartmouth Travel Bureau, beginning a long association with the travel industry. In 1973, he was one of the founders of a summer theater program in the area, which became the active North Country Community Theater. In 1976, Eric moved to Boston, first to work with another travel agency, and eventually to establish his own company, First In Travel. In 1997, he moved to San Diego, where he established another travel agency. He had been in declining health for several years, but never lost his joie de vivre: a favorite quote of his was "Life is not about waiting for the storms to pass...it's about learning to dance in the rain". He is survived by his longtime companion, Michael Trueblood.