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## **Richard "Rick" Denny Neace**

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After a lengthy battle with pancreatic cancer, Rick Neace has passed away. He was 71 years old.

Neace was born in Phoenix, Ariz., to John F. Neace and Patricia Snider, but spent the majority of his adult life in Texas.

Neace was a well-known engineer in Dallas; he started as the transmitter engineer for the city-owned WRR. Later he joined Gordon McLendon's KLIF in Dallas, eventually becoming Chief Engineer during the 1960s and early 1970s. During this time he and George Marti developed as number of unique passive repeaters for STL use in Dallas.

Neace became the Chief Engineer for KRLD in 1974, eventually leaving to join Marti Electronics as an engineer and salesman.

In 1996, after George Marti sold his manufacturing business to BE, Neace purchased much of Marti's service and support business in Cleburne, TX, under the name SRS Electronics. Marti himself even dropped in from time to time to lend a hand.

Neace leaves behind two sisters, Cathy and Dawna, a daughter, Heather and four grand- and great-grandchildren.