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Drew's life began aboard one of the last ships to leave London during WWII. He was born to Hugh and Delos Wagnon in Kansas City, Missouri. It was two years before he met his father who was a war correspondent in Europe for the Associated Press. He was able to contribute his keen intellect toward an intense desire to understand the world that surrounds us and lies within. His endeavors in life were a direct result of this attribute. There is time and space to list only a few of these accomplishments here. One of these being Wild Dog Magazine, which played a significant role in the poetic movement during the 1960's. He also established the Chaise Mansion Bookstore which was a unique source of literary culture for the region in El Paso, Texas. Drew was a true Renaissance man with many interests including organic farming and husbandry, showcasing music in the Mesilla Valley while managing the Anthony Gap Saloon in Anthony Texas, and a creative writer and editor of many published works. On the practical side, he was an electrician, housing inspector, high rise steel worker, printing press operator, and postal worker.

Drew was preceded in death by his wife Barbara, parents Delos and Hugh, and Sister De. He is survived in life by a wonderful, devoted

son, Brett, his grandson little Drew, an uncle, Clyde, two brothers, John and David, nephews, Casey, Chris, Cary, and Jimmy, a niece, Jessica, ex-wife Terry, ex-wife Jenny, and sister-in-law/daughter/friend, Mary.

If ever you were blessed with the opportunity to gaze into the eyes of this man while engaging in conversation your life has been touched in a way that all of the words from all the books that he read cannot begin to explain. Drew has left this life surrounded by the immense love and positive energy that was sent out by each of you to this man who seemed to know something more. We will walk away with a renewed sense of discovery and broadened perspective on life having been touched by this wonderful soul. Allen Funeral Home 4155 South Old Highway 37 is handling the arrangements and online condolences may be sent to the family at www.allenfuneralhome.org.