



JOHN RENTON “RENNIE” YOUNG Class of 1956

Rennie Young was born in Ogden, Utah in 1936. He was a fifty year resident of Las Vegas, graduating from Las Vegas High School in 1956.

Rennie designed *outdoor illumination* for the MGM Grand, Excalibur, Caesar’s Palace, Stardust, Las Vegas Hilton, Flamingo Hilton, Sahara, and Donald Trump’s Atlantic City casinos.

He founded John Renton Young Lighting and Sign Co. in 1965 and sold it to Mikohn Gaming, Inc. in 1994. Before retiring, he was President of the subsidiary renamed Mikohn Lighting and Sign.

The International Engineering Illumination Society recognized him with the Paul Waterbury Award of Excellence, International Illumination Design Award in 1992 for the Stardust, and again in 1994 for the Excalibur.

Rennie was a supporter of the Boy’s Club and Big Brothers of Las Vegas.

His father Jack was a co-founder of Young Electric Sign Co. in Las Vegas.

Rennie passed away in September, 1997 in Ensenada, Mexico at the age of 60.

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