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Seymour was a very private person. Many of you might not have known Seymour had an older brother, Jerry Rosen. As private as Seymour was, he seemed to be in the public spotlight in matters close and dear to his heart.

Seymour was raised on the west side of Chicago. During the last year of high school his parents, Abe and Mildred, moved Seymour to California. Having some relatives in the area made the move easier. Jerry did not make the trip due to the fact he was already in the army. Seymour graduated from Fairfax High School. While Jerry was in Germany, Sym (Jerry's nickname for his brother) asked Jerry to pick up a camera for him. No one knew what impact Sym would have in the photographic community once he had a camera in his hands. Sym went on to attend Phoenix University for a couple of years.

On occasion, Jerry would go with Seymour on location, to take pictures. He was with him when he decided to climb around the Watts Towers. Jerry remembers him looking like a monkey.

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In 1963, Sym created his first original Christmas cards. He had a picture of himself in a military uniform, including hat and shirt, covered with medals. This was his attempt to poke fun at the war.

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In 1964, his card included a picture of Sym striped down to the waist and covered with numbers. Again his satirical attempt to take notice of the changing times.

One other Christmas card was made from pages of the phone book whose names were NOEL. Seymour had an imagination that was limitless.

While Seymour was in the army, stationed in PASO ROBLES, his supply unit was called the HUNTER LIGGIT. Jerry, out of the army at this point, would frequently pick up Seymour and sneak him off base to have a fling in San Francisco.

Sym believed in nepotism and put a sculpture created by Jerry, to be in his show in San Francisco. Seymour allowed anyone with tattoos to enter free.

The brothers had fun together. Sym would always introduce Jerry as his elder bother and Jerry called Sym his kid brother.

We Deeply regret not being able to attend today's event. I know Seymour will be missed by many and in our hearts always.

Thank you,

Jerry and Caryl