## **Veteran Radio Talent Dave Michaels Passes**

Dave Michaels, Program Director for Citadel Media's *Classic Hits* format, passed away today after a lengthy battle with cancer. Michaels joined ABC Radio Networks in 2000 as the PD and midday personality for then *Oldies Radio*. Under his meticulous guidance and leadership, the format evolved into *Classic Hits* and continued to grow in popularity. *Classic Hits* remains one of the most successful of Citadel Media's eight 24-hour formats.

"Dave Michaels was a consummate broadcaster and wonderful friend to everyone who had the pleasure of knowing him," said John Rosso, President of Citadel Media. "For more than four decades, his vibrant personality shined through as he graced the microphones of local stations across the country and entertained millions of music listeners. His charming wit and presence will be tremendously missed both in our hallways and on the air."

Michaels' radio career began as the evening DJ for KMAK in Fresno in 1968. He served as an on-air host in multiple markets, including several stations in Los Angeles. He completed his station journey at KLOU in St. Louis before joining the network. Michaels is survived by two sisters, Rachel and Nancy Youdelman.

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## **Dave Michaels – Station Resume**

KMAK [Fresno]1968 WTIC [Hartford] 1985 KOBO [Yuba City CA]1971 KRTH [LA] 1986 KYNO [Fresno] 1972 KIQQ [LA] 1988 KAFY [Bakersfield]1974 KIIS [LA] 1989 KDAY [LA] 1975 WKQL [Jacksonville] 1990 KEZY [LA] 1975 WRRW [Memphis] 1994 KROY [Sacramento] 1976 WGKS [Lexington] 1995 KDAY [LA] 1977 WRMX [Nashville] 1995 KLAC [LA] 1983 WXLY [Charleston SC] 1996 WFLA [Tampa] 1984 KLOU [St. Louis MO] 1998-2000 WZOU [Boston] 1985