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Presenter Mike Ahern dies at 67

Former Radio Caroline presenter Mike Ahern has died at the age of 67.

Mike, who only last week celebrated his birthday, was also well known for his work on Radio 1 and Capital Gold. Most recently, at Easter this year, he was heard on Pirate BBC Essex.

Born in Liverpool, he was a barman and a clerk before getting his big break on Radio Caroline, at first joining the station's North ship off the Isle Of Man. He moved to Caroline's South ship in 1965 to help aid the network's flagging figures.

He departed Caroline in 1967 for Radio One, though it was a short lived affair with Ahern departing for Australia to work for a slew of stations there including 4BC and 6PM.

He returned to the UK in 1988 and worked for Essex Radio, Piccadilly Radio and Country-1035 among others.

An obituary by Jon Myer (Pirate Radio Hall of Fame)