

David Ferrie: 1918-1967

David W. Ferrie was born in Cleveland in 1918, the son of an Irish Catholic police captain. Ferrie's early life was, by all available accounts, quite normal, in stark contrast to what it was to become. There was one indication of a personality problem when he abandoned the priesthood, dropping out of a seminary due to "emotional instability," but he was considered a brilliant student and earned a bachelor of arts degree in philosophy from Baldwin-Wallace College in 1941. Ferrie studied medicine well into his adult life, receiving a "doctorate" in psychology from an unaccredited college in Italy when he was nearly forty. An excellent pilot, he was by then employed by Eastern Airlines and based in New Orleans, where he was also the commander of a Civil Air Patrol unit.

By the early 1960s, Ferrie's world had begun to shatter. His physical appearance, marred by the loss of all his hair as a result of a rare disease,

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Steve Jaffe Heptur
Boxley, Bill
Rose, Mim? with other names
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