

## Memories from Brian Torr

One memory I have was of the show in 1978, held in the (now old) Monte Rio School gymnasium. I was working the lights and sound and was just off-stage near the steps to the stage. Father Henry Faucher was sitting to my right. One of the Bohemian performers, an older gentleman, sat down to the right of Father Henry. I noticed he had a small suitcase with him, with the initials "E B" on it.

I didn't think anything of it immediately, but, about 10 minutes, later, just before this Bohemian was to go on stage, he opened the suitcase and inside was Mortimer Snerd. It was Edgar Bergen!

He put on a nice show.

Father Henry was a bit embarrassed that he didn't recognize Edgar Bergen right away. He had been a big fan of Edgar Bergen since he was a kid.

We didn't realize it at the time, but this would be one of his last performances. He did a few more performances in Las Vegas where he passed away in September.



Pictured are Mortimer Snerd (bottom), Charley McCarthy (Middle) with Ventriloquist Edgar Bergen (Top)