



Tony and Shirley Rafty in Maitland with their two eldest children, Denis and Stan, in 1954. Left: A caricature of The Beatles by Tony Rafty.

Fab Four was his pride and joy. It's the only known drawing of them as a group signed by all four.

Rafty was a man always on the go, chasing personalities. At Olympic Games, cricket Tests, tennis tournaments, golf tournaments, press conferences, inaugural flights to Mexico City, New York, Athens, Singapore, Jakarta, San Francisco, Bali, Manilla, Bangkok and Hong Kong and luncheons and dinners with special guest speakers at the Journalists Club.

At 65 and with retirement from Fairfax, Rafty's busy life continued. He was Channel 7's court artist, covering significant criminal cases, and there were more exhibi-

He re-joined Fairfax in 1964, the year the Beatles visited Sydney. Rafty was invited to their Kings Cross hotel and his drawing of the