

Roy Folk is obviously the source for the reporter article. Roy has the unmitigated audacity to spend the whole article trying to distance himself from dBase IV and trying to divert attention from his failure leading the dBase division. The truth is that Roy was in charge of the Ashton Tate Database Division for years. He hired Bill Stowe, the worst VP of Development Ashton Tate ever had. The failure of the development team to deliver a quality product was his and he can't escape responsibility for it just because I held him responsible for those failings and encouraged him to resign before the problems surfaced. Not only is it laughable that he distances himself from dBase IV but laughable given his failed leadership and stewardship of the dBase franchise.

I'll let the claim that I didn't know how to use dBase to be answered partially by Dan Fylstra's letter to the Wall Street Journal editor. Having a great publication like the Wall Street Journal let a reporter like Greg Zachary talk to several discredited, fired people and treat as a fact what they say, speaks more about Greg Zachary's competence than mine.

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