

Obituary Notices

Hills Woman Dies Suddenly; Funeral Today

Services for Mrs. Marcus E. (Clara Baird) Cunningham, 57, of 104 Brady Lane, Bloomfield Hills, will be held at 2 p.m. today at Christ Church Cranbrook. Mrs. Cunningham died suddenly Monday.

Born in Ann Arbor, she lived the early part of her life in Kansas City, Mo., and Marblehead, Mass. She has been a resident of Bloomfield Hills for the past 25 years.

A GRADUATE OF the Emma Willard School in 1924 and of Vassar in 1928 where she majored in art, she received her master's degree in English literature from the University of Michigan in 1930 where she was a member of Collegiate Seniors.

In 1930 she was appointed to the Michigan Alumni Fund Board where she has served for six years. She was vice chairman of the Bloomfield Hills Alumnae Association of this year she received the Illinois Distinguished Service Award from the University of Michigan. Also, she was a member of the Michigan Memorial Phoenix Project.

Together with her sister and brother, she donated the tapestry that is now hanging in the reception hall of the Michigan Union Building in honor of Charles Baird, their father. Mr. Baird was the first athletic director of the University of Michigan and brought Fielding Yost to the university. Mr. Baird donated the Burton Memorial Carillon and the Carl M. Ferguson to the University of Michigan.

MRS. CUNNINGHAM was affiliated with The Birmingham Art Association, Birmingham Society of Women Painters, Village Women's Club, Bloomfield Hills Garden Club, National Society of Colonial Dames of America. She was active in both the Emma Willard and Vassar Alumnae Associations.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by a daughter, Mrs. G. Bretnell Williams of Birmingham; two sons, Charles Baird of Ann Arbor and Marcus E., Jr., of Birmingham; a brother, James Baird of Miami Beach, Fla.; a sister, Mrs. Ruth Larabee of Lubbock, Tex., and 6 grandchildren.

Funeral arrangements were in charge of Bell Chapel of the William R. Hamilton Co. Burial will be in the Woodlawn Cemetery Maplewood. The family requests that memorial contributions be sent to Christ Church Cranbrook.

Ralph H. Backus

Ralph H. Backus, 63, of 1276 Hilde, Birmingham, died suddenly Tuesday.

A resident here for 20 years, Mr. Backus was affiliated with Shaw-Walker Co. and a former vice president of Richmond and Backus Co., Detroit.

He was a graduate of the University of Michigan, a member of Psi Upsilon Fraternity and a member of St. James Episcopal Church, Birmingham.

He is survived by his wife, Virginia F., a daughter, Mrs. John V. Campbell of Birmingham; a son, Ralph H., Jr., of Birmingham, and two grandsons.

Services will take place Friday at 3 p.m. in Bell Chapel of the William R. Hamilton Co.

Calvin W. Jones

Calvin W. Jones, 58, of 23243 Woodville, Southfield, died Sunday.

Born in St. Joseph, Mo., Mr. Jones had been office manager of the N. Silverstone Co. for the past 18 years.

He is survived by his wife, Genevieve.

Services, arranged by the Tel. C. Sullivan Funeral Home, Detroit, will take place today in St. Joseph.

Rochelle Russette

Rochelle J. Russette, infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Francis Russette of 28845 Red Leaf Lane, Southfield, died Saturday afternoon in Northwest Grace Hospital.

In addition to her parents, she is survived by a brother, Mark; a sister, Marjorie; her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Leo McMillan of Berkeley and Mr. and Mrs. Frank J. Russette of Harper Woods.

Services will take place Monday in the Sawyer Funeral Home, Berkeley, with interment in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

J. S. O'Gorman, Jr.

A resident of Birmingham from 1938 until his retirement in 1957 John S. O'Gorman, Jr., 57, died Nov. 26 in Tucson, Ariz., his home for the last seven years.

A retired vice president and director of the Johnson Service Co. of Milwaukee, Mr. O'Gorman was active in city government while he lived here. He was elected to the City Commission in 1949 for a three-year term, retiring for reasons of health; was appointed chairman of a City Fire Station Study Committee in 1953; was elected to the City Commission for another three-year term in 1958 and during the same year was appointed to the Recreation Board.

He was a graduate of Yale University's Sheffield Scientific School, a member of Christ Church Cranbrook, the Detroit Boat Club, Orchard Lake and Oakland Hills country clubs.

He is survived by his wife, Charlotte, a son, Scott E., of Fall Church, Va.; a daughter, Mrs. David Glass of La Grange, Ind., and three grandchildren.

Services and burial took place in Tucson.

Mrs. W. C. Randall

Mrs. W. Clifton (Ethel Taylor) Randall, 77, of 170 Shirley Drive, Birmingham, died Nov. 25 following a short illness. Services, arranged by Manley Bailey Funeral Home, took place Saturday in Windsor, Ont.

Mrs. Randall was a member of the Presbyterian Church, the Order of the Eastern Star and the Home Improvement Club, all in Leesburg, Fla.

Surviving besides her husband are a daughter, Mrs. William K. Fischer of Woodbury, Conn., and a grandchild.

L. B. Federspiel

Lroy B. Federspiel, 78, of 4961 Dryden Lane, Bloomfield Hills, died Saturday in St. Joseph Mercy Hospital.

Born in New Haven, Ind., Mr. Federspiel had retired 13 years ago from the traffic department of the Wabash Railroad.

Services, arranged by Bell Chapel of the William R. Hamilton Co., took place Tuesday in Holy Name Church, with burial following in Mt. Olivet Cemetery.

Survivors include a son, John B., of Danville, Ill.; a daughter, Mrs. Walter Schoenrock; a brother, four grandchildren and a great-granddaughter.

Jerry Johnston

Services for Jerry Johnston, 81, took place Saturday in the Manley Bailey Funeral Home, with burial following in White Chapel Cemetery.

Mr. Johnston, who was formerly of Royal Oak and Birmingham, died Nov. 24 in Elsinore, Calif., where he made his home.

Survivors include his wife, Edna; three daughters, Mrs. Harold Taylor of Royal Oak, Mrs. Fred Cooper of Berkeley, Mrs. Kenneth Meunier of Bloomfield Hills; a son, James of Monroe; three sisters; a brother; 11 grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Lawrence F. Ayer

Services for Lawrence F. Ayer, of 31025 Cotwood, Southfield, took place Wednesday in St. Regis Catholic Church, Birmingham, with burial following in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

Mr. Ayer died unexpectedly Saturday in his home.

He was secretary of the Macaebes Mutual Life Insurance Co., with which he had been for 35 years.

A Detroit area resident for 35 years, he was supreme commander of the Fraternal Group of the Macaebes, charter member and first commander of the William G. Riley, Jr., Post 506 of the American Legion, a member of Council 306, K. of C., Ushers Club of St. Ives Church, Southfield, and a board member of the Southfield Businessmen's Association.

Survivors include his wife, Denise; a daughter, Linda D.; his mother, Mrs. Mimmie Ayer; a brother and a sister.

Mrs. C. A. Grant

Mrs. Charles A. (Maxine R.) Grant, 46, of 700 Westview, Bloomfield Hills, died Sunday in St. Joseph Mercy Hospital.

In addition to her husband, she is survived by a son, James; three daughters, Mrs. Thomas DeWitt, Judith and Diana; two sisters and one grandchild.

Services will take place today at 9:30 a.m. in the East-Lynch Funeral Home and at 10 a.m. in St. Hugo of the Hills Catholic Church. Burial will be in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery.

Diederick Steffan

Diederick Steffan, 89, of 20171 Nov. 23 in St. Joseph Mercy Hospital following a brief illness.

Born in Amsterdam, Holland, Mr. Steffan, preceding his retirement, had been a designer for the William Paul Co., manufacturers of stove fixtures in Detroit.

Survived by a daughter, Mrs. Thomas Fitzgibbons of Birmingham, and two grandchildren.

Private services took place Saturday in Bell Chapel of the William R. Hamilton Co., with cremation at White Chapel Cemetery.

Ford Motor VP Wins Human Relations Award

Charles R. Beacham, vice president-marketing, Ford Motor Co., has received the American Jewish Committee's 1964 Human Relations Award.

The award was created by the broadcasting and advertising division of the committee's Appeal for Human Relations and is presented each year to a leader who has contributed most to the effort for improved human relations," according to Ralph Friedman, chairman of the executive board.

THE AMERICAN Jewish Committee, founded in 1906, advances the cause of human relations and protects the civil and religious rights of Jews in the United States and abroad.

Beacham, 1959 N. Glenmary, Bloomfield Hills, was elected a vice president of Ford Motor Co. in 1957. He joined the company in 1926 at Jacksonville, Fla., as a sales representative and soon rose to managerial ranks. He served as district sales manager in Jacksonville and was manager of the Ford Division's regional sales offices in Philadelphia and New York prior to moving to Dearborn, in 1956 as division general sales manager.

Society Receives Station Wagon

The Birmingham Rotary Club presented a new station wagon Monday to the Oakland County Society for Crippled Children and Adults. Receiving the keys from Rotary committee chairman Matthew Cammareri (right) is Stuart Wood (center), representative of the Society. Others in the front row (from left) are William H. Burzum, club president; Patrick Deighan (light coat), who is succeeding Cammareri as chairman; and Mrs. Elizabeth Kirkby, executive secretary of the Society. Since 1951, the club has contributed \$23,403, plus \$4,500 in special gifts, to the Society. Proceeds are derived from the club's annual newspaper sale and the annual (in January) Wally Taber sport show.

Computers Will Aid Doctors of Future

The telephone and modern technology may enable doctors to keep closer tabs on the health of their patients in the future, according to Dr. William N. Hubbard, dean of the University of Michigan Medical School.

Dean Hubbard told members of the University Press Club of Michigan recently that the medical profession is confronted with the problem of coping with rapidly increasing demand for medical services.

"Patients in the United States visit a doctor more often than people in any other country in the world," he pointed out. "If the demand increases at the rate it has in the past 20 years, I believe we must revise our methods of providing health services."

THE HEALTH RELATED that researchers "visualize there will be a telephone-computer hook-up all over the United States."

"For instance," Dean Hubbard said, "if you say you don't feel well, then the doctor will say: 'Fine. Now put on that little jacket and cap that I left with you, and lie down.'"

The little jacket and cap will have multiple physiological monitoring leads, the dean said. It will measure the electrocardiogram (heart) and the electroencephalogram (brain waves). It will take the patient's pulse, temperature, and blood pressure. It will measure the rate and velocity of respiration, cardiac output, and a number of other physical measurements.

"THIS WOULD all be fed into a central computer through a central telephone hook-up," Dean Hubbard said.

He explained that each person previously would have had his entire medical history put on a "memory" drum, a device that stores information for later use by a computer.

The computer would analyze the facts gathered over the telephone hook-up from the patient's home or office. Then, it would compare this information with the patient's medical history stored in the "memory" drum.

The computer would feed back

Completes Course

Army Pvt. James L. Townsend, 23, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lynn A. Townsend, 5991 Orchard Bend, Bloomfield Township, completed an eight-week general supply course under the Reserve Enlistment Program Nov. 27 at Fort Leonard Wood, Mo.

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B'field Hills Recreation

BASKETBALL

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BASKETBALL

League play for junior and senior high school boys will start with team registration on Saturday at Bloomfield Hills High School Gymnasium.

FENCING

Fencing instruction for beginners (9 a.m.-10 a.m.) as well as intermediate and advanced (10 a.m. to 11 a.m.) at Bloomfield Hills High School Gymnasium will start Saturday. Fencing equipment will be furnished.

SKIING

All junior high and high school students living in the Bloomfield Hills School District are eligible to participate in the Recreation Ski program. See the Recreation Bulletin or call the Recreation Department.

CHRISTMAS VACATION PROGRAM

A Christmas Vacation Program will be planned for high school and college students during the vacation period. Call the Recreation Office for further information.

Reappoint Ingraham To Liaison Position

Commissioner Carl F. Ingraham has been reappointed as Birmingham's legislative contact man.

Ingraham was selected by fellow commissioners Monday night.

As contact man, Ingraham will work closely with the Michigan Municipal League in keeping the city informed of legislative action taking place in Lansing.

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