

Doctor's family was the light of his life

By Bob Sklar
Staff writer

Dr. Michael Kleiman, 27, of Farmington Hills and his grandmother, Fannie Kleiman, 77, of Royal Oak — victims of a fatal traffic collision Friday — often spent time together. "She was very special to him. He really loved her as a friend and as a grandmother," said Kleiman's wife, Susan.

On Friday, Kleiman planned to take his grandmother shopping, then to lunch at their favorite delicatessen.

But lunch never came.

They and a 16-year-old Madison High School student died as a result of injuries sustained in a two-car collision at 10:40 a.m. on a damp stretch of 13 miles between Crooks and Coolidge, in Royal Oak.

Fannie Kleiman lived with her husband, Louis, at Barton Towers in downtown Royal Oak.

The 16-year-old who died, Charles Sherrod of Madison Heights, was a passenger in a car driven by a 16-year-old neighbor.

"They were on the way back to school from a mechanics class at the Southeast Oakland Vocational Education Center in Royal Oak, from what we've gathered right now,"



Michael Kleiman
'Touched so many'

said Officer Joseph Dobson of the Royal Oak Police Department Traffic and Safety Bureau Monday.

IT APPEARS the 16-year-old lost control of his eastbound car after passing a school bus full of classmates. The eastbound car slid into the path of Dr. Kleiman's westbound car and was struck on the passenger side, police said.

Fannie Kleiman was dead on arrival at William Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak. Her grandson died Friday night. Sherrod died Friday afternoon. The other 16-year-old was admitted to Beaumont Hospital.

Initial reports indicate no one was wearing a seatbelt. But that conclusion could change as more interviews of witnesses are completed, Dobson said. Once the investigation is complete, it will be up to the Oakland County Prosecutor's Office to decide whether to recommend charges against the 16-year-old driver, he added.

Susan and Michael Kleiman planned to leave this week with her parents for a Hawaiian vacation in celebration of her parents' 30th wedding anniversary. Fannie and Louis Kleiman planned to leave this week for their annual winter stay in Florida.

Although married just two years — their anniversary was Oct. 13 — Susan and Michael Kleiman had dated since their early teen years in Southfield. They met in a ballroom dance class.

"We grew up together," Susan said. "We were more than husband and wife. We were best friends first."

HER HUSBAND had a special knack for "touching so many people at such a young age. The support and people who came from all over the country to pay their respects was very touching," Susan said.

An anesthesiologist, Dr. Kleiman was a second-year resident at Sinai Hospital of Detroit. He served his first-year residency at Mount Carmel Mercy Hospital, Detroit.

He first talked about becoming a doctor while attending Southfield High School. "He was always concerned about helping people. And becoming a doctor was his way of doing that," his wife said.

Kleiman graduated Phi Beta Kappa from Michigan State University in 1981 and from MSU's College of Human Medicine in 1985. He was a member of Phi Kappa Phi honors

fraternity and Sigma Alpha Mu fraternity.

A MSU sports buff, he attended football and basketball games whenever he could, his wife remembered.

In addition to his wife and grandfather, Dr. Kleiman is survived by his parents, Estelle and Seymour Kleiman of West Bloomfield; his sister and brother-in-law, Debra and

Paul Walter of Southfield; and his parents-in-law, Gerry and Melvin Binder of Southfield.

Services for the Kleimans were Oct. 20 at Ira Kaufman Memorial Chapel, Southfield. Rabbi Daniel Schwartz and Harold Loss officiated. Burial was in Beth El Memorial Park, Livonia.

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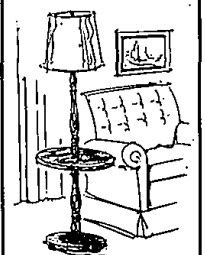
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The Farmington Hills resident was 64. He lived in the area 20 years.

In 1971, after 25 years as superintendent of caddies, Knollwood gave Magaddino a gold watch.

At his testimonial, many former caddies turned out to pay tribute.

"During those 25 years, he was a father and a teacher to 250 boys per season," said his daughter, Diane.

"Always interested in what the future held for his caddies, Magaddino helped many of them earn Evans

scholarships to college through a caddie scholarship fund. One of those boys is now a veterinarian in Birmingham, family members added.

BY 1973, his caddies had won the Golf Association of Michigan Caddie Championships nine times. At one time, Magaddino held the Knollwood course record of 64.

In 1976, Magaddino left Knollwood after 30 years for Brae Burn. That fulfilled a longtime dream of managing his own golf club. In 1984, Brae Burn was rated one of metro Detroit's top 10 public golf courses.

Magaddino was a member of Elks Lodge of Farmington 1988 BPOE and a World War II Army veteran.

Survivors include his wife of 33 years, Margaret; one son, Brian; two daughters, Lydia Tanner and Dianne; one brother, Joseph; one sister, Mary Pingilley; and one grandchild.

Services for the Detroit native were Oct. 15 at McCabe Funeral Home, Farmington Hills. The Rev. William Merrell officiated. Burial was in White Chapel Memorial Park Cemetery, Troy.

The family asks that memorials be made to the Hospice of Southeast-

ern Michigan, 22401 Foster Winter Drive, Southfield 48075.



Sam Magaddino
'father, teacher'

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