

Farmington Hills fire officials inspect the damage of a blaze which illed a man and seriously injured his wife. (Photo by Cyd Abatt)

)bituaries

James McManus, 58, of Farmington James McMams, 58, of Farmington Hills, died April 15 in Butsford General Hospital. Services were April 18 in the Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home with the Rev. Joseph A. Drogowski of St. Care of Assis Church officiating. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery. Mr. McManus was an office manager for the Phoenix Mutual Life Insurance Co. Surviving are his wife, Elaine, and daughter, Kathleen.

WILFRED CHARLES REYNOLDS

Wilfred Reynolds, 59, of Farmington, died April 15 in Botsford General Hospital. Services were April 18 in the Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home with Msgr. Thomas Beahan officiating. Burial was in Grand Lawn

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Mr. Reynolds was a World War II Army veteran who served in Europe, Africa, and the Middle East and received a Good Conduct medal. Sur-viving are his wife, Dorothy: brother, Ray; and sisters, May Reynolds, Mrs. Eva Walsh, Mrs. Rita Gribbors and Bernice Reynolds.

MELVIN E. BUTLER

Melvin Butler, 72, of Livonia, died April 16 in St. Mary Hospital. Services were in Ward United Presbyterian Church with the Rev. Le Edward Davis officiating. Arrangements were made by the Henen-Sundquist Funeral Home, and burial was in Glen Eden Competery.

Home, and burial was in Glen Eden Cemetery,
Mr. Butler was an accountant at Ford Motor Co. until his retirement. He was employed with the Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home for 10 years before his death. He was an active member and head usher at the Ward Presbyterian Church of Livonia.
Surviving are his wife, Alta; daughter, Mrs. Joan Lee Pelham; brother. Kenneth; sisters, Mrs. Ruth Hamby and Mrs. Winifred Courtney; and two grandchildren, David and Jennifer Pelham.

NELLIE C. ESCH

Nellie Esch, 74, of 19700 Meadow-brook, Northville Township, died April 27 in University Convalescent Home. Services were April 28 in the Ross B. Northrup & Son Funeral Home. Offici-ating were Jerry R. Finnegan and C. Coonce. Burial was in Clarenceville

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Mrs. Esch was born in Farmington Township in 1904. She was a home-maker and member of Jehovah's Wilnesses of Plymouth. Surviving are her mother, Mary Evert; daughter, Mrs. Betty Sutton of Northville Township; brother, Lester Evert of Williamston; four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren.

ADDIE MURPHY

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Addie Murphy, 88, of Farmington
Hills, died May 2 in University Convalescent Home. Services were May 5
in the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home
with the Rev. John N. Howell of the
First United Methodist Church of
Farmington officiating. Burial was in
Oakland Hills Cemetery.
Mrs. Murphy was a housekeeper and
resident in the area for several years.
Surviving are daughters, Mrs. Kathryn Becker, Mrs. Lois Pickard and
Mrs. Dwayne Campbell; three grandchildren and 10 great-grandchildren.

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Wife in critical condition

Blaze kills Hunters Ridge resident

Local authorities said a fire which ravaged a Farmington Hills apart-ment May 3 causing the death of one occupant and seriously injuring arother was accidental. Raymond Kottle, 55, of 31870 Kings-wood Lane died from smoke inhalation at 11:50 p.m., an hour after firemen pulled him and his wife from their burning anapartner.

pulled him and his wife from their burning apartment. Ruth Kottke, 52, is isted in critical condition at Botsford Hospital. Oakland County Sheriffs and Farn-ington Hills Fire Marshall William Gearhardt said a cigarette apparently ignited a cotton-filled living room sofa. Mr. and Mrs. Kottke both smoked.

Mr. and Mrs. Kottke both smoked, according to police.

Neighbors notified fire and police department at 10:49 p.m., after smelling smoke in their own apartment, upstairs from the Kottke residence.
Pearl and Raymond Jacobstein told

police they smelled smoke in their bedroom. Jacobstein followed the odor to the downstairs apartment and saw flames inside, through the living room

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window. He knocked on the window in a vain attempt to rouse the occupants.

whien The fire alarm sounded, Farmington Hills volunteers Lawrence Scheffler and Irwin Berman, near the scene, responded. They tried to enter the burning apartment to no avail. Instead they evacuated the remaining seven units in the building and waited until Stations One and Two and Engine Company Four arrived. Berman was treated for smoke inhalation and released from Botsford Hospital.

Firefighters Paul Cuscac and Paul Slater discovered the Kottkes in the bedroom. Kottke was lying on the floor in the direction of his wife's bed when firemen stumbled over his feet. Mrs. Kottke was discovered in her bed.

Smoke hampered fire fighters' efforts to find the victims, according to Farmington Hills Fire Chief John Van De Voort.

"The men could barely see their hands in front of them," he said.

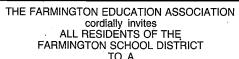
The apartment was gutted but fire fighters managed to prevent the blaze from spreading to other units in the blaze.

Patton addresses prevention confab

Jimmy Patton, client services director for the Farmington Area Advisory Council, was a guest speaker at the Interference of the Farmington Area Advisory Council, was a guest speaker at the Interference of Inter







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