

# Kresge Foundation chairman dies at 85

Stanley S. Kresge, honorary chairman of the Kresge Foundation who at the age of 85 continued to drive to his Troy office a couple of times a week, died Sunday of a heart attack while driving his car on I-75.

Services were scheduled Wednesday at Metropolitan United Methodist Church in Detroit. Entombment was in Woodlawn Cemetery.

Mr. Kresge was the son of the founder of the S.S. Kresge Co., which is now the K mart Corp., the nation's second largest retailer.

Mr. Kresge, who started his corporate career as a trainee before becoming a store manager, eventually served as chairman of the board of both K mart and the Kresge Foundation.

"I'll remember him as a very gentle man devoted to his family, his church, his overall Christian faith," said Alfred H. Taylor Jr., president of the Kresge Foundation.

"He was a gentle man, generous, with a wonderful sense of humor. He had a wonderful, fulfilling life," Taylor added.

Mr. Kresge lived his Christian values, recalled Earl Mott, a family friend for 50 years.

"He was a friendly, warm individual," Mott said. "He was always friendly, always had a smile and always had time to talk to anybody."

Mr. Kresge had disposed of most of his K mart stock in recent years because he said he personally opposed the company's decision to sell alcoholic beverages in its stores.

**PROUD TO BE** known as a frugal man, Mr. Kresge joked several years ago about driving a car with 93,000 miles on it.

"Dad made it a store policy that we saved money by saving electricity and turning off all the lights," he said in a 1980 *Eccentric* interview. "When you have a lot of stores, cutting off the lights helps."

The Kresge Foundation, with which he was affiliated for the last 35 years, reportedly has given away \$500 million in matching grants since its inception in 1924.

"I'm a friendly guy who gets along with people," he said in the 1989 in-

terview. "I believe in teamwork. I've never been high and mighty and I'm not so smart. I've never tried to show any authority, and when I worked in the dollar store, everyone liked each other and we all worked together."

He served as a trustee of the Metropolitan United Methodist Church and the Detroit Rotary Foundation, an honorary trustee of Albion College, from which he graduated in 1933, and an emeritus director of the Detroit YMCA.

Mr. Kresge was pronounced dead at 4:33 p.m. Sunday at Rochester Hills Crittenton Hospital. A hospital spokeswoman said that he suffered the heart attack while driving south on I-75 near Rochester.

A grandson took control of the vehicle and drove Mr. Kresge to the hospital, the source added.

Mr. Kresge, who lived in Lake Angelus, a village northeast of Pontiac, is survived by his wife, Dorothy; sons Walter, Stanley Jr. and Dr. Bruce Kresge; 15 grandchildren; 16 great-grandchildren and two sisters.



Stanley S. Kresge, pictured above in 1980, died of a heart attack Sunday.

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## cable connection

By Lark Samouelian  
special writer

There are always so many questions that pop up as to what policies are necessary to a producer. The Community Access Policies which prevail for our center were enacted October, 1983. If you do not have a copy, there is one available on the Community Access Table at the Studio and one in the Commission office.

Please review them and send your comments to Lark Samouelian, 23600 Liberty St., Farmington 48024.

The policies are to be reviewed as we are two years down the road to determine if they still provide a solid foundation to ensure the widest possible diversity of production experiences which will encourage production involvement at a variety of levels of working knowledge.

**COMMUNITY ACCESS PROGRAMMING SCHEDULE**  
Monday, July 11

- 12 noon - Duel of Knowledge. North Farmington vs Novi.
- 12:30 p.m. - Artist in You. Composition and drawing.
- 1 p.m. - Oakland County Parks & Recreation. Senior Family Day.

- 1:30 p.m. - Kite Tales.
- 2 p.m. - Screaming Yellow Video Fun House.

- 2:30 p.m. - Broadway, 1984. Harrison High Musical.

- 5 p.m. - Duel of Knowledge. North Farmington vs Novi.

- 6:30 p.m. - Artist in You. Composition and drawing.

- 7 p.m. - Oakland County Parks & Rec. Senior Family Fun Day.

- 7:30 p.m. - Kite Tales.

- 8 p.m. - Screaming Yellow Video Fun House.

- 8:30 p.m. - Broadway, 1984. Harrison High Musical.

**Tuesday, July 9**

- 12 noon - Church of Today.

- 1 p.m. - Welcome to My Father's House.

- 1:30 p.m. - Cooking with Class.

- 2 p.m. - Your Health. Women's health issues.

- 3 p.m. - Social Security Update.

- 3:30 p.m. - The Governor's Report.

- 6 p.m. - Church of Today.

- 7 p.m. - Welcome to My Father's House.

- 7:30 p.m. - Cooking with Class.

- 8 p.m. - Your Health. Women's health issues.

- 9 p.m. - Social Security Update.

- 9:30 p.m. - The Governor's Report.

**Wednesday, July 10**

- 12 noon - Health Talks.

- 12:30 p.m. - Money Matters.

- 1 p.m. - Keeping in Touch. Senior services No. 2.

- 1:30 p.m. - First Alert. Farmington Hills Fire Department.

- 1:45 p.m. - Insight.

- 2:30 p.m. - Novi Community News.

- 3:30 p.m. - Life Styles. Women's hair styles.

- 6 p.m. - Health Talks.

- 6:30 p.m. - Money Matters.

- 7 p.m. - Keeping in Touch. Senior Services No. 2.

- 8:30 p.m. - Novi Community News.

- 9:30 p.m. - Life Styles. Women's hair styles.

**Thursday, July 11**

- 12 noon - Community Upeat.

- 12:30 p.m. - Shades of Difference. North Farmington High School.

- 12:50 p.m. - Police Pals. Puppet show.

- 1 p.m. - Keeping in Touch.

- 1:30 p.m. - Shores of Your Mind.

- 2 p.m. - Think Tornado Safety.

- 2:45 p.m. - White Face. Mime.

- 3 p.m. - Life Styles.

- 3:30 p.m. - Weekend. John Asselin.

- 3:45 p.m. - White Face. Mime.

- 6 p.m. - Community Upeat.

- 6:30 p.m. - Shades of Difference. North Farmington High School.

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