

obituaries

HAZEL B. WILCOX BRESHEAR

Mrs. Breshear, 91, died Oct. 31. Mrs. Breshear was a retired teacher. She began her teaching career in 1913 in a one-room school in Novi with 23 pupils, grades one to eight. She continued teaching in rural schools including Oak Park while working on a teaching degree, which she received from Wayne State University in 1948. She completed her 41-year teaching career in Farmington after 14 years, retiring in 1963 from the Ten Mile School.

Mrs. Breshear was a life member of the NEA, MEA, MARSP and was past president of the Farmington Area Association of Retired School Personnel and aided in its founding. She is survived by her husband.

HAROLD J. BERNARDIN

Mr. Bernardin, 67, formerly of Farmington Hills, died Dec. 28 in Orlando Regional Medical Center, Orlando, Fla.

Mr. Bernardin was a graduate of Henry Ford Trade School and worked as a tool engineer for Progressive Tool and Industries of Southfield. He also was member of the Ford Alumni Club and of the Knights of Columbus, Orlando.

Survivors include his wife, Dolores A., and his children, Dr. H. John, Carol Cameron, Diane Korte, and Nancy Harrison. Services were held Tuesday, Jan. 6, at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church, Farmington, with the Rev. Kean Cronin officiating.

THOMAS W. MAHON

Mr. Mahon, 65, of Hubbard Lake died Dec. 21. Mr. Mahon was a self-employed bricklayer.

Survivors include his wife, Dorthea; his children, Thomas, Stephen, Casey, Matt, John, Lynn, Stuart and Vicki; his brothers Paul and Jerry; and seven grandchildren.

Services were Dec. 23 at the Heene-Sundquist Funeral Home, Farmington, with the Rev. David French and the Rev. Brian Becker officiating.

MICHAEL J. SAMMON

Mr. Sammon, 91, of Farmington died Dec. 22. Born in Canada, Mr. Sammon was a carpenter.

He is survived by his wife, Mary E.; his children, Joseph A. and Helen Behrend; his grandchildren, Beverly Krist, LeeAnn and Michael Behrend; and his brother, Stephen Sammon.

Prayer service was Dec. 23 at Heene-Sundquist Funeral Home, Farmington, with the Rev. James B. Wright officiating. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield.

BERNICE M. STEIN

Mrs. Stein, 88, of Northville died Dec. 22.

Mrs. Stein was a homemaker. Survivors include her children, Bruce M., Phyllis Schade, Mary Fairhurst; her sister, Mabel Redic;

four grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Services were Dec. 24 at the Heene-Sundquist Funeral Home, Farmington, with the Rev. Alfred Gould officiating. Burial was in White Chapel Cemetery, Troy.

TESSIE JACKSON

Mrs. Jackson, 91, of Farmington Hills died Dec. 22.

Born in Traverse City, Mrs. Jackson was retired from Moyses of Detroit where she worked in sales and retailing.

She is survived by two sisters, Florine McDevett and Audrey Chasely; a grandson, John Hutson; and two great-grandchildren.

Services were Dec. 26 at Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington, with the Rev. Kean Cronin officiating. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield.

FRANCES COUREY

Miss Courey, 52, of Farmington died Dec. 24.

Miss Courey was an assistant manager at the National Bank of Detroit. She was past president of the Lady's Society at Our Lady of Redemption Catholic Church, Warren.

She is survived by her mother, Rose Courey; her sister, Lucille; her brothers, Nicholas J. and George J.; and several nieces and nephews.

Services were Dec. 27 at Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington, with the Rev. George Riasch officiating. Burial was in Mount Olivet Cemetery, Detroit. Memorials may be made to Our Lady of Redemption Catholic Church, 8525 Cole, Warren 48092.

BEATRICE E. MORTON

Beatrice E. Morton, 76, of Farmington Hills died Dec. 25.

Born in Canada, Mrs. Morton was a Sunday school teacher at Ryan Road Baptist Church, Warren, and later at Temple Baptist Church, Redford Township.

She is survived by three sons, Raymond Leduc, Donald F., and Larry D.; a daughter, Teri Wynan; 16 grandchildren; and two great-grandchildren.

Services were Dec. 29 at Vanu, Rodgers & Connell Funeral Home, Royal Oak, with the Rev. D. L. Ray officiating. Burial was in White Chapel Cemetery, Troy.

ADELE M. BOYER

Adele Boyer, 89, of Farmington Hills and former Livonia resident died Dec. 23.

Mrs. Boyer was a production worker for manufacturing companies.

Survivors include her daughter, Mrs. Della O'Henley; her son, Jude; 11 grandchildren; 27 great-grandchildren; and four great-great-grandchildren.

Services were Dec. 27 at St. Gerald's Catholic Church with the Rev. John Menner officiating. Arrangements were made by the RG & GR Harris Funeral Home, Livonia. Burial was in Oakland Hills Cemetery, Novi.

BRENT R. THOMPSON

Mr. Thompson, 39, of Farmington Hills died Dec. 25.

Survivors include his mother, Margaret Thompson; aunts, Edith Balmforth, Vera Mills, Barbara Balmforth and Vivian Thompson; uncle, Glen Thompson.

Services were Dec. 27 at the Harry J. Will Funeral Home, Livonia, with the Rev. William Waldmann officiating. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield.

DONALD J. GASSER

Mr. Gasser, 49, of Farmington Hills died Dec. 29 in Botsford Hospital, Farmington Hills.

Mr. Gasser was an engineer for Chrysler Corp.

Survivors include his wife, Sherri; daughter, Alexandra Catherine; mother, Josephine; sister, Carol.

Services were Jan. 3 at the Nardin Park United Methodist Church with the Rev. William A. Ritter officiating. Burial was in Oakland Hills Cemetery, Novi.

Arrangements were made by the Heene-Sundquist Funeral Home, Farmington.

MABEL G. LEONARD

Mrs. Leonard, 93, of Chelsea, formerly of Farmington, died Dec. 29 in Chelsea Community Hospital.

Born in Cheanling, Mich., Mrs. Leonard was a retired teacher in the Farmington schools. She was a member of the DAR, Teachers Exchange Club and the Palette & Brush Club.

Survivors include her son, Alan; daughters, Ada Epley, Mabel Ellen

Cordes and Sally Schanz; 12 grandchildren, several great-grandchildren and several great-great-grandchildren.

Graveside services were Jan. 2 at North Farmington Cemetery, Farmington Hills. Memorials may be made to An Clair School, 431 Dornely, Mount Dora, Fla. 32757, c/o Colleen Cordes.

JACOB RIMATSKI

Mr. Rimatski, 78, of Farmington Hills died Dec. 30 in Wm. Beaumont Hospital, Royal Oak.

Born in Poland, Mr. Rimatski was the greens keeper at the Birmingham Country Club.

Survivors include his wife, Lydia; sons, Siegfried, Werner, Edward, Carl, Donald and Bruno; a daughter, Erna Edmann; brother, Friedrich; 16 grandchildren.

Services were Jan. 3 at the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington, with the Rev. Elmer Luminata of Apostolic Lutheran Church officiating. Burial was in Glen Eden Cemetery, Livonia.

MARGARET H. ROBINSON

Mrs. Robinson, 87, of Redford Township died Jan. 1.

Born in Scotland, Mrs. Robinson was a homemaker.

Survivors include her son, Bill, David, Tony and Frank; daughters, Betty, Jean, Barbara, Joyce, Jessie and Deanna; sisters, Jean, Barbara and Sandy; 35 grandchildren and 23 great-grandchildren.

Services were Jan. 3 at the Heene-Sundquist Funeral Home, Farmington, with the Rev. Victor Halboth officiating. Burial was in Grand Lawn Cemetery, Detroit.

SISTER MARY LEILA KOEPPPE

Sister Mary Leila Koeppe, 75, a Sister of Mercy and former head of

Mount Carmel Mercy Hospital died Jan. 1 in St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ann Arbor.

The former Lodie Koeppe joined the Sisters of Mercy of Detroit in 1942. She served most of her 44 years of religious life in Metro Detroit.

A certified teacher and physical education major from the American College of Physical Education, she was dean of students and student activities at Mercy College from 1948 to 1959.

After completing a master's degree in sociology from St. Louis University, she was assigned to Mount Carmel Mercy Hospital as director of social work and outpatient services. In 1963, the same year she completed a master's degree in social work from Wayne State University, she was appointed hospital administrator.

She was former president of the American Academy of Medical Administrators and was the first American woman to become a fellow of England's Royal Society of Health.

She also served as president of the Detroit Archdiocesan Council of Religious and was twice appointed by John Cardinal Dwyer to the Archdiocesan Pastoral Assembly.

In 1979, after a sabbatical with the Sisters of Mercy on the Isle of Wight, Sister Mary Leila worked with the elderly poor at St. Agnes Parish and Westland Retirement Center.

In 1982 she became administrator of Mount Mercy Development Center in Grand Rapids.

In 1984 she went to Ann Arbor to work as a volunteer driver for the American Cancer Society.

Services were at the Mercy Center Chapel, Farmington Hills. Mass was celebrated at the Mercy Center Chapel. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield.

military news

Tapping the military news pipeline.

ARRIVED FOR DUTY

Army Spec. 4 Kenneth Scholten of Farmington Hills has arrived for duty with the 8th Infantry Division, West Germany.

Scholten, an infantryman, is a 1974 graduate of East Kentwood High School, Kentwood, Mich.

Army Spec. 4 Lee Danielson of Farmington has arrived for duty with the 10th Attack Helicopter Battalion, West Germany.

Danielson, a power generator repairer, is a 1977 graduate of Redford High School.

HE GRADUATES

Airman Albert Ursula Jr. of Farmington Hills graduated from Air Force basic training at Lackland Air Force Base, Texas.

During the six weeks of training, the airman studied the Air Force mission, organization and customs. He received special training in human relations.

ENDS TRAINING

Army Pvt. Eric Hamen of Farmington Hills has completed basic training at Fort Knox, Ky. Hamen is a 1983 Rochester Adams High School graduate.



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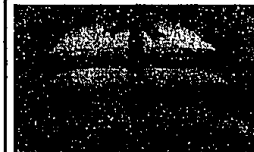
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