

obituaries

KATHRYN D. COTTER

A former Farmington city treasurer and city employee for 20 years, Mrs. Cotter died Jan. 8 at Winter Haven, Fla.

Mrs. Cotter worked for the city from May 1949 to January 1989. After retiring, she moved with her husband, Ralph Cotter, to Florida where they have lived for 14 years.

She is survived by her husband, Ralph; brother, George Mohardt; sisters, Joan Barnette and Irene Haeger; and many nieces and nephews.

Contributions may be made to the Monastery of the Blessed Sacrament in Farmington Hills.

JOSEPHINE McTAVISH

Mrs. McTavish, 79, of New Smyrna Beach, Fla., formerly of Detroit, died Jan. 4 in Providence Hospital, Southfield.

Born in Ontario, Canada, Mrs. McTavish was a retired secretary for the electric company.

Survivors include her brother, Jo-

seph Allen, and her sister, Margaret Allen.

Mass was said at the Heene-Sundquist Funeral Home, Farmington, with the Rev. Edward Belczak officiating. Burial was in St. Hedwig Cemetery, Dearborn Heights.

ROBERT KEEFE

Mr. Keefe, 70, of Lincoln Park died Jan. 4 in St. Mary Hospital, Livonia.

Mr. Keefe was an inspector in the automotive industry.

Survivors include his sister, Slater Mary Hope, and his aunt, Agnes Bentley.

Mass was said Jan. 7 at the Heene-Sundquist Funeral Home, Farmington, with the Rev. James Wright of St. Alexander Catholic Church officiating. Burial was in Parkview Cemetery, Livonia.

EUGENE W. BARSON

Mr. Barson, 63, of Walled Lake died Jan. 5.

Born in Loraine, Ohio, Mr. Barson

was a salesman for TIW. He was a member of the American Welding Society. He was a World War II Army veteran.

Survivors include his wife, Helen; sons, William, Thomas and John; a daughter, Ginger Barson; one sister and one brother; two grandchildren. A memorial service will be held in Ohio. Arrangements were made by the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington.

LEE ROYAL WALKER

Mr. Walker, 86, of Farmington

Hills died Jan. 6 in Henry Ford Hospital.

Born in Columbia Station, Ohio, Mr. Walker was a farmer.

Survivors include his daughter, Ordella Kerchoff; brother, Roy Bishop Walker; sister, Alma Mary Walker Haines; three grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Services were in North Ridgeville, Ohio, with the Rev. Diehl officiating. Arrangements were made by the McCabe Funeral Home, Farmington Hills.

NORMAN MIRCH

Mr. Mirch, 80, died Jan. 7.

Mr. Mirch was a mill inspector for Ford Motor Co.

Survivors include his wife, Florence; daughter, Patricia Skop; stepson, Richard Zapata; sister, Delores Mirch; three stepgrandchildren.

Services were at the Heene-Sundquist Funeral Home, Farmington, with the Rev. Douglas Harris officiating.

LEO THIANE BOLEN

Mr. Bolen, 81, of Farmington died Jan. 7 in Novi Care Center.

Born in Grand Rapids, Mr. Bolen was president of La Salle Winery in Farmington. He was a charter member of the Knights of Columbus 3104, Grand Rapids.

Survivors include his son, Patrick; daughters, Kathleen Cialo and Barbara Knapp; sisters, Genevieve Drieberg and Josephine Hoalton; 13 grandchildren and three great-grandchildren.

Mass was said at St. Alexander Catholic Church, Farmington Hills, with the Rev. James Wright officiating. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield.

business briefs

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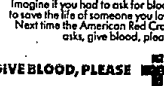
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