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been on the council, they always do their homework which helps. I've always tried to give them whatever they ask for."

Bushey said many people don't understand the intricacies and strict legal procedures which go into the job — something she has taken

**Career finish:** Farmington City Clerk Josephine Bushey (right) is about to retire.

very seriously. Over the years, she has seen changes in Farmington's elections. The number of registered voters has decreased, and the number of people voting absentee because of their absence from the district on election day has increased, she said. "But the number of people registered to vote has always been good in relation to the population," she added.

Bushey said she feels comfortable retiring at this time. "I feel I'm leaving everything in good hands,"

she said. "I've been training a lot of people for four years."

Unlike many retirees who leave their plans open-ended, Bushey has a list of things for which she will make time.

She plans to continue her work helping tutor adults who cannot read and also wants to offer her time to the Rochester-based Leader Dogs for the Blind, either training leader dogs or offering her time in another way.

She would also like to get a pet dog — something for which she never had much time.

Much of her dedication to helping others came from learning to help herself. Bushey grew up on Detroit's east side in a family of five, attending parochial schools there and then moving on to Marygrove for a college degree. "I didn't grow up with a silver spoon in my mouth — I worked my way through college," she added.

### MARIE J. MASSON

Mrs. Masson, 90, of Farmington Hills died July 18 in Botsford Hospital, Farmington Hills.

Born in Canada, Mrs. Masson was a homemaker.

Survivors include her son, Dr. Bernard Masson; two brothers; four grandchildren and four great-grandchildren.

Mass was celebrated July 25 at Our Lady of Sorrows Catholic Church, Farmington, with the Rev. Bishop Joseph L. Imesch of the Diocese of Joliet, Ill. officiating. Burial was in Holy Sepulchre Cemetery, Southfield. Arrangements were made by the Heerney-Sundquist Funeral Home, Farmington.

### THOMAS E. DUPLESSIE

Mr. Duplessie, 66, of Farmington died July 20.

Born in Sandwich, Ontario, Canada, Mr. Duplessie was a carpenter and equipment operator in the construction industry. He was a former member of VFW.

Survivors include his wife, Marion; sons, William and Joseph; daughters, Anna Marie Duplessie, Patricia Martin, Michelle Fillion, Renee Duplessie and Jeannine Brown; brother, Henry Duplessie; 10 grandchildren.

Services were at Divine Child Catholic Church with the Rev. Thomas Kirwan officiating. Burial was in Grand Lawn Cemetery, Detroit.

Arrangements were made by the

Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington. Memorials may be made to Hospice of Southeast Michigan, 16250 Northland Dr., Suite 212, Southfield 48065.

Born in Portage, Penn., Mrs. Yarosh was a homemaker.

Survivors include her son, Edward; a daughter, Patricia Waddell; sisters, Julie Petrino, Margaret Lasko and Helen Fornal; brothers, John and Andy Hanak.

Services were July 27 in Portage, Penn. Burial was in St. Michael Cemetery, Portage, Penn.

Arrangements were made by the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home, Farmington.

## OBITUARIES

### MARY YAROSH

Mrs. Yarosh, 73, of West Bloomfield, formerly of Farmington, died July 22 in West Bloomfield Care Center.

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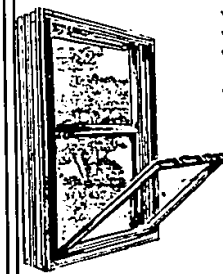
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