### Funeral

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"Architecturally, what we're building is a big house, a big home, a funeral home," he said. "You want friendly, warm, openheartedness."

#### Different tacks

While Griffin's and McCabe's plans share many elements, they take slightly different approaches. Griffin's single-story structure will contain three viewing rooms which can be expanded or contracted, a chapel, lounge, offices and restrooms over 11,000 square

The chapel, which will seat 150, rises 22 feet above ground level and has some stained-glass win-

dows.

The body preparation room and casket storage will be in the base-

ment.
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home in Detroit and his current operation in Westland, there will be no residential living space above the business.

"I can't afford the SIT5000," said Larry Griffin, who pegged construction costs of the new Canton home at \$1.5 million. McCabe plans a two-story structure of 12,000 square feet with living quarters upstairs at a cost of \$1.4 million.

Two large viewing rooms that can be subdivided, a lounge, and the preparation room will be on the first floor. An apartment, plus arrangement room and casket display, will be upstairs.

There is no basement.

"A bosement is so costly," McCabe said. "No one has told me yet what use it has except me yet a second to the second control of the second con

me yet what use it has except storage."

#### Neighborhood reflection

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It's important that funeral
homes look like other buildings in
the neighborhood for that homey
atmosphere.
Griffin's exterior will be all
brick with a gentle sloping roof,
asphalt shingles and small windows. "The roof has the typical
slope a ranch house would have,"
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Dryvit, expanded polystyrene covered by a hard plastic, manufactured stone, and a high roofline with asphalt shingles that look like shakes will grace McCabe's

exterior.
"We felt with this type of style, Tudor, it would blend in and look good," said Richard Garofole, a funeral director who will be assigned to the new location. "Several subdivisions are going up in the area. This is the kind of house going un." "We felt with this type of style, rough, it is takes a lot of open good," said Richard Garofola, in an analysis of professional funeral director who will be assigned to the new location. "Seving space, often a tight fit, as is important, Shuler said. The style of McCabe's building will be assigned to the new location. "Seving space, often a tight fit, as is important, Shuler said. When the said is important, Shuler said. The style of McCabe's building will escape the traditional colonistic of the said will esca

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sald. "And at some parts of the day, there may be viewing rooms we may not want to heat."

Special air exchangers, showers/eyewashes and plumbing installations required by law in the preparation room also raise construction costs.

Fireplaces, off the main en-trances of both homes — Griffin will have a second one off the parking lot entrance — further convey a homey image.

Then there are things that peo-ple might never think about un-less specifically pointed out to them.

Wide corridors and doors ac-commodate traffic flow and con-stant in-and-out movement. Ceil-ings are also higher in viewing rooms, 10 feet in Griffin's build-ing.

"As room dimensions grow larger, they (ceilings) have to grow higher or it becomes tunnel-like," Root said.

Larger rooms, and in Griffin's case, a separate chapel, allow ser-vices to be conducted right on the

case, a separate chapel, allow services to be conducted right on the premises.

"Not everyone belongs to a church," Griffin said. "Here, you can have funerals on Sunday and night funerals. People don't have to take time off work."

"We try to keep the windows in the chapel fairly high," Root said. "We don't want people sitting in the pews getting distracted and looking into the street."

McCobe pointed out the carpeting in a viewing room at his Farmington Hills funeral home. "You're walking on something soft, People stand in funeral homes a long time so we use thicker padding," he said.

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he said.
"The key to funeral home de-"Inc key to tunera nome de-sign is most people don't realize they move large amounts of peo-ple in and out in a short time," said Paul Shuler, McCabe's ar-chitect. "It takes a lot of open

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# Household pollution a threat to health

(AP) — These days, pollution hits many people right where they live. According to Better Homes and Gardens magazine, today's sung, energy-efficient houses trap more and more toxins, sometimes and Gardens magazine, today's sung, energy-efficient houses trap more and more toxins, sometimes causing them to rise to levels 10 to 100 times higher than the level experienced outdoors.

Generally, household pollutions more a long-term threat to your health than an emergency. The major exception to this rule is household lead.

Here's what you need to know about some common indoor toxins, along with suggestions about how to lower their concentrations to safe levels:

Making you sick? Your house may be making you sick if you have nagging colds, fatigue, the work of the problems in the full concentrations of the problems in the full concentrations of the problems in the full concentrations that the problems in the full concentrations and the problems in the full concentrations where the problems in the full concentrations and the problems in the full concentrations are provided excessive lead in the constitution, or taken the full concentrations and forewarded concentrations to the concentrations of the problems in the full concentrations and the problems in the full concentrations and the problems in the full concentrations and the full concentrations are provided excessive lead in the constitution, or track the problems in the full concentration and the full concentrations are problems and the full concentrations and the full concentrations to the full concentrations and the full concentrations are problems and the full concentrations and the full concentrations and the full concentrations are problems and the full concentrations and the full concentrations are problems and the full concentrations and the full concentrations and the full concentrat

of lead isn't always practical. To

- Keep a clean house. Wet wipe windowsills with a phosphate detergent and regularly vacuum carpets.
- Leave your shoes outdoors if your soil is contaminated, and take care to wash hands before eating. Removing old soil and hauling in new helps.
- Replace windows and doors that are covered with peeling lead-based paints. That's often cheaper and safer than having the paint stripped.
- Run your water for a few min-utes before using to flush out lead. Use cold water for cooking hot water picks up more lead.
- Check with state or local health

## Case out case goods for material content

(AP) — Turn on your sleuthing skills when you're searching for high quality case goods, including dressers, tables, cabinets, and beds. These nonupholstered pieces often contain materials other than wood, reports Better Homes and Gardens magazine, and the only way to know what you're looking at is to read hangtags carefully. Let the following definitions and thys help you find good quality furniture:

Schild wood means that all exposed surfaces on a place are made from the wood named.

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All-wood pieces can include components of plywood and com-

position board (particleboard and fiberboard).

I Laminates are a contemporary twist on veneering. Similar to kitchen-counter material, furniture laminates get bonded to composition board. Veneers and laminates should be glued securely and cleenly to backings.

I Joints indicate the overall quality of construction. Top-quality of construction. Top-quality pieces will have drawers with dovetailed correars—interlocking sets of wedge-shaped "fingers."

Nails, screws, and staples can all give way over time, especially if a piece receives heavy use. Take out a drawer and examine the insides of a piece before you buy.

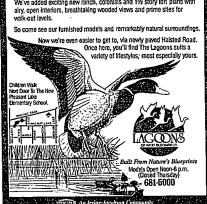
In Finishes are especially important on dresser tops and tables where the surface may come in contact with perfumes, liquids, and other potentially dameging substances. A polyurethane finish is the most durable, but any finish should be smooth and even.





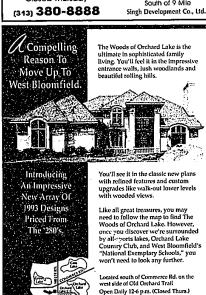


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