

OBITUARIES

ROBERT L. HAM

Mr. Ham of Traverse City died Jan. 14.

Born in Farmington, Mr. Ham was employed at the Ford Engineering Center in Dearborn for 35 years. He graduated from the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor in 1951. A veteran of World War II, he served with the 9th Infantry Division, of the U.S. Army.

Survivors include his wife, Elfriede (Schultz) Ham of Traverse City, two daughters, Donna Lynn Shashio of Avon Lake, Ohio, and Lauren Gail Hanley of Phoenix, Ariz.; three grandchildren, Alexander R. Leanne D., and Olivia K.; and a brother, Ernest W. Ham of Lebanon, Tenn.

Services were held on Tuesday at Trinity Lutheran Church in Traverse City. The burial was held on Wednesday at Glen Eden Lutheran Memorial Park in Livonia. Arrangements were made by the Reynolds-Junknoff Funeral Home.

Memorials may be made to Grand Traverse Area Hospice or the National Cancer Research Foundation.

land, and Barbara J. Cousineau of Colorado; six grandchildren; and two sisters.

The funeral was held January 12, at the Schrader-Howell Funeral Home with a burial in Mt. Olivet Cemetery, Detroit.

EDWARD L. SCHLAFF

Mr. Schlaff of Farmington died Jan. 13 in Southfield's Providence Hospital.

Born Nov. 5, 1910 in Detroit, he was a butcher and a member of the Sausage Maker's Union. He was also a member of the Southfield Presbyterian Church.

He is survived by his wife, Dorothy, three sons, Edward, Raymond, and Michael; two daughters, Marlene Burger and Lucille Frouk; eight grandchildren; and five great grandchildren.

The funeral was Tuesday at the Heeney-Sundquist Funeral Home, the Rev. Dr. Joseph W. Shook officiating. Burial was at the Glen Eden Cemetery, Livonia.

WILLIAM J. DIGNETT

Mr. Dignett, of Beverly Hills died of cancer on Monday at his home.

He was born in Detroit, in 1922 and was a life long resident of the Metropolitan Detroit area. He graduated from the University of Detroit, Engineering College, in 1948. He retired from Ford Motor Company after 35 years of service.

Mr. Dignett served in World War II with the U.S. Air Force. He also served on the Board of

Advisors for the Arthritis Foundation for many years and in 1994 he was recognized as Volunteer of the Year. He was also active in St. Regis Church, Western Golf and Country Club, and the Roma Cafe Gin Club.

He is survived by four daughters, Sue Dignett-Tapp of Farmington Hills, Jane Dignett-Smith of Birmingham, Anne Dignett-Najor of Bloomfield Hills, and Kathy Dignett-Mooney of Grosse Pointe; a son, John Dignett of Union Lake; a sister, Mary Louise Beckwith; a brother-in-law, William McCourt; and 14 grandchildren.

Services will be held today at St. Regis Catholic Church in Bloomfield Hills. Burial will be at Mount Olivet Cemetery in Detroit. Memorials may be made to Henry Ford Health System Hospice or the Metro Detroit Arthritis Foundation.

EVA ANN JOHNSON

Mrs. Johnson, a resident of Farmington for 46 years, died on Monday at Botsford Hospital, Farmington Hills.

A graduate of Elkton High School, Mrs. Johnson, was a homemaker.

She is survived by her son, Steven Johnson of Farmington Hills; four daughters, Carol Line of Farmington Hills, Linda Brynart of Milford, Patricia Parsley of Milford, and Mary Johnson of Farmington Hills; two brothers, Albertus Kipfer of Cassville and Robert Kipfer of Detroit; a sister, Diane Guigar of Cassville; five

grandchildren; and three great-grandchildren.

Services were Wednesday at St. Gerald Catholic Church, The Rev. Gerald McEnhill officiating. The burial was at the Glen Eden Memorial Cemetery, Livonia. Memorials may be made to the Michigan Cancer Society.

FLORENCE M. ZEGLEN

Mrs. Zeglen, a resident of Farmington Hills for 33 years, died on Monday, at Botsford Hospital, Farmington Hills.

She worked for 10 years, at Zeglen Associates, a product liability consulting firm. She was a member of the Brightmoor Tabernacle Church, where she was a Sunday School teacher and a Morning Greeter, she also provided phone counseling. She was a volunteer at the United Foundation for 30 years. And she was also a member of The Valiants, working at a V.A. Hospital during World War II.

She is survived by her husband, Edmund J., a son, Michael of Brighton; three daughters, Lorraine Zeglen-Clark of Tulsa, Ok., Suzanne Zeglen of Novi, and Carolyn Zeglen-Kokko of Walled Lake; a sister, Joyce Castillo of Arizona; and two grandchildren.

A prayer service was held at the Thayer-Rock Funeral Home. The funeral service will be today at 11 a.m. at the Brightmoor Tabernacle Church in Southfield, the Rev. Robert G. Fish officiating. Burial will be in Glen Eden Memorial Park, Livonia. Memorials may be made to the Brightmoor Tabernacle Missions Fund.

New pastor installed at Hope Lutheran

The Rev. Bradley A. Gee was installed Sunday, Jan. 14, as the senior pastor of Hope Lutheran Church, 39200 W. Twelve Mile, in Farmington Hills.

"I am really happy to be in the Farmington community," said Gee, who was installed during both morning services at the church.

"In this community, we often find ourselves buying with lots of things. The church can provide a compass for priorities — our family, our core values," he said. "Given the financial wherewithal of this community, one goal will be to come up with ways to share our material wealth."

Gee and his family, wife, Becky, and children, Kristen, 6, and Seth, 4, came to Farmington Hills in mid November. He began working with the 400 member congregation on Dec. 4.

"We're also in the middle of determining the direction to take in building a significant addition to our building," he said. "I think we anticipate good growth."

An ordained minister in the Evangelical Lutheran Church in America for eight years, Gee graduated from Trinity Lutheran Seminary in May, 1987. He formerly served as pastor of All Saints Lutheran Church, Toledo.

At All Saints, he was involved as an adviser to the youth committee of the Northwestern Ohio Synod, served as secretary of the Toledo area Lutheran Coalition, coordinator of Lutheran youth athletic leagues for Toledo area churches, a member of the ethics committee at St. Luke's Hospital, Maumee, Ohio, and participated in an ecumenical group that sought to address concerns related to AIDS in the greater Toledo community.



Rev. Bradley Gee

In January 1991, Gee returned to Trinity Lutheran Seminary to begin nearly five years of ministry as the seminary's director of admissions. While at Trinity, he also served as the seminary's Director of Church Relations, which gave him numerous opportunities to preach and teach in congregations throughout the country.

During his tenure as director of admissions, the seminary experienced a steady increase in the size of its student body, including the largest class of incoming students in the seminary's history in the fall, 1994.

Last October, Gee accepted the call to serve as the senior pastor of Hope Lutheran Church. He and his family are still in the process of familiarizing themselves with the community.

Church dedication set

The dedication of North Congregational Church at 36520 Twelve Mile Road is scheduled for Jan. 21 at 3 p.m.

Senior minister is the Rev. Dr. Mark P. Jensen. Guest speaker

will be the Rev. James Lyons, director of the Ecumenical Council for Jewish-Christian Studies.

Call 848-1760 for more information.

Worshippers invited

The Farmington Hills Church of God invites people to join the New Year by worshipping with them.

The church is located at 25717 Power Road, between 10 and 11

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There is no charge for the program.
Registration is required by February 2.
For more information or to register, please call (313) 655-2929 or (313) 655-8542.
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