

# Obituaries

## RUSSELL L. BISSETT

L. Bissett, 66, died Dec. 12 in Huron Valley Sinai Hospital. He was born Jan. 21, 1934, in Detroit to his late parents, George and Elsie M. (Gleason) Bissett.

Mr. Bissett was a former resident of Northville for 24 years. He resided in Milford at the time of his death. Mr. Bissett was a salesman with Caswell Modernization Co. of Union Lake. He served in the U.S. Army during 1954-55, when he was stationed in Germany.

Mr. Bissett is survived by son, Patrick of Milford; daughters, Karen Curry of Livonia and Gail Duncan of Royal Oak; four stepchildren, Richard, Susan, Michael and Nancy; brother, Jack of Venice, Fla.; sister, Dorothy James of Naples, Fla.; and four grandchildren.

Services will be held at 11 a.m. on Friday, Dec. 15 in Northrop-Sassaman Funeral Home, The Rev. W. Kent Clise of the First Presbyterian Church of Northville will officiate. Interment will be at Grand Lawn Cemetery in Detroit.

Memorial contributions to the

hospice of your choice would be appreciated by the family.

## IRENE M. EDMONDS

Irene M. Edmonds, 88, of Northville died Dec. 8 in Botsford General Hospital, Farmington Hills. She was born Sept. 18, 1912, in Caro to Worden and Janet (Gill) Parsell.

A homemaker, Mrs. Edmonds was a life-long member of the community and a member of the Northville Christian Assembly.

She is survived by a son, Richard A. (Nancy) Gray of Northville; daughter, Janet (Edwin) Freeh of Florida; six grandchildren and 13 great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Edmonds was preceded in death by her husband, James E. in August 1998.

Services were held on Tuesday, Dec. 12 at Casterline Funeral Home Inc., with Pastor Otis Buchan officiating.

Interment was at Rural Hill Cemetery in Northville.

Memorials to the Hospice of Michigan, 16250 Northland Drive, Suite 370, Southfield, MI would be

appreciated.

## ELEANOR HAMMOND

Eleanor "Elle" Hammond, 87, of Northville died Dec. 14 at Waltonwood in Novi. She was born June 10, 1913, in Buffalo, N.Y., to Royal and Julia (Pierce) Wood.

Before retiring, Mrs. Hammond held the office as a clerk for Northville Township. She lived in Northville from 1972 to 1999, at which time she moved to Cheboygan. Mrs. Hammond was a member of the Novi United Methodist Church and St. Paul's United Methodist Church of Cheboygan. She also held numerous volunteer positions in Northville, Novi and Cheboygan. Mrs. Hammond was often called the ladybug lady. According to the family, "Elle" will be remembered for her endless energy and willingness to go the extra mile.

She is survived by her husband, Crispen; three sons, James of Wisconsin, Gordon of New Hampshire, and Edgar of Walled Lake; two daughters, Julia Anne Staton of Texas, and Peggy Meyer of

Northville; sister, June McMacker of California; brother, Eugene Wood of Washington; 20 grandchildren and 22 great-grandchildren.

Mrs. Hammond was preceded in death by a son, Crispen Nellis.

Services were held on Wednesday, Dec. 20 at Novi United Methodist Church. The Rev. Louise Ott was the officiant. Interment was at the Novi United Methodist Church Garden. Arrangements were made by Casterline Funeral Home of Northville.

Memorials to the Hospice of Michigan would be appreciated by her family.

## THEODORE JOHN HECKLER

Theodore "Ted" John Heckler, 75, of Northville died Dec. 16 in University Hospital of Ann Arbor. He was born Jan. 20, 1924, in Bucyrus, Ohio, to George and Ana (Hertzer) Heckler.

Mr. Heckler was a retiree and lived in Northville for 35 years. He was a graduate of Bucyrus High School and of Heidelberg College in Tiffin, Ohio. Mr. Heckler was a World War II veteran, a life member of Meadowbrook Country Club, and a member of the First Presbyterian Church of Northville.

He is survived by his wife, Virginia; two daughters, Susan (Greg) Boll and Nancy (Bryan) Riegner, both of Northville; sisters, Ruth Adams of Ohio, and Mary Orris of Florida; and four grandchildren, Sarah, Richard, William, and Suzanne.

Mr. Heckler was preceded in death by his parents and mother-in-law, Margery Stotz of Ohio.

Services were held on Tuesday, Dec. 19 at the First Presbyterian Church of Northville. The Rev. Kent Clise and the Rev. James Russell officiated.

Interment was in Rural Hill

Cemetery.

Memorials to the First Presbyterian Church Music Department or the American Lung Association would be appreciated by the family.

## MARY K. WALKER

Mary (Kennedy) Walker of Northville died Dec. 10 at the age of 60.

She is survived by her husband, Robert; son, Mark; two brothers, David and John Kennedy; a sister, Ann Kennedy Hutchins; and ten nieces and nephews.

Services were held on Thursday, Dec. 14 at the Dearborn Chapel of the Howe-Peterson Funeral Home.

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Memorials to the Michigan Humane Society would be appreciated by the family.

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