

Obituaries

Tom Komar; specialist in barrier-free design

Tom Komar, an architect who in recent years specialized in barrier-free design and served on many boards and committees concerning the disabled, died Saturday in his La Jolla home after a long illness. He was 33.

He was born in Bedford, Ohio, and attended Kent State University and completed architectural studies at the University of Michigan.

Mr. Komar, who worked from a wheelchair, became a specialist in barrier-free design after he was disabled in a 1980 automobile accident. He also taught principles of barrier-free design to interior design students.

Many of his architectural jobs were in conjunction with governmental and public agency developments. He also was contracted to modify plans for the new system of freeway telephones to make them more accessible to the disabled.

He had been chairman of the board of directors for Community Service Center for the Disabled since 1988 and was a member of the city's Committee to Remove Architectural Barriers (CRAB).

Mr. Komar served on the county Committee on Persons With Disabilities and on the Senior and Disabled Access Advisory Committee to the San Diego Trolley. He was a member of the County Building Department Appeals Board.

Survivors include his parents, Nicholas and Irene Komar of Bedford, Ohio; brother and sister, Richard of Cuyahoga Falls, Ohio, and June of Coronado; also devoted friends and associates, Kimberly Sherwood and Brendan Boshell and family of San Diego.

Family services were private. Memorial contributions may be sent to Accessibility Fund of the San Diego County Park Society, Care of County Parks, 5201 Ruffin Road, San Diego 92123.

Josephine E.B. Hein

Josephine Elizabeth Banegas Hein, 76, of Lakeside, who was an opera buff, flower arranger and member of one of the generations-old Native American families in the county, died Sunday of heart failure in Grossmont District Hospital.

She was born in San Diego, the

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daughter of the late Elizabeth Rodriguez Banegas and Lewis Banegas. The families belonged to Mesa Grande Reservation, but they had moved into San Diego.

Mrs. Hein attended San Diego Schools and graduated from San Diego High School.

During World War II, Josephine Banegas met Andrew Hein, a sailor from Texas. They were married in 1944. He became a contractor and they lived in San Diego until 1960, when they moved to Lakeside. He died in 1988.

Survivors include her son, Lewis Hein of Lakeside; her sister, Virginia Lunning of Alpine, four grandchildren and one great grandson.

Funeral Mass will be at 10 a.m. today in the Barona Indian Mission, Lakeside. The Rosary was recited yesterday in the Lakeside-Santee Funeral Chapel. Burial will be in the Barona Cemetery.

B.F. Bird

B.F. Bird, owner and operator of Bird Realty and a longtime community leader, died Tuesday in Grossmont District Hospital. He was 73.

The native of Granbury, Texas, had lived in the county for 50 years and had been in the real estate business for more than 40 years. He resided in El Cajon.

His major realty offices were in East County, including two in El Cajon and offices in Santee and Lakeside.

He was a past president of East San Diego County Board of Realtors and a 40-year member of San Diego County Board of Realtors. He was a two-term regional vice president of the California Real Estate Association.

Mr. Bird was a member of El Cajon Mounted Police since 1965 and was a past captain. He was a member of Los Senderos de San Diego since 1959 and was a past president. He also had been a member of De Anza Los Caballeros since 1967.

He had served on the El Cajon Boys Club board of directors and had been a member of both the San Diego and El Cajon Optimist Clubs. He had been a member of El Cajon Elks Lodge 1812 since 1960.

Survivors include his wife, Margaret; a son and daughter, David B. Bird of Lakeside and Linda A. Fuller of El Cajon; a sister, Jewell Hickey of Mineral Wells, Texas; four grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

Services will be at 1 p.m. today in the El Cajon Mortuary Chapel.

Burial will be in El Camino Memorial Park.

Memorial contributions may be sent to Muscular Dystrophy Association, 6136 Mission Gorge Road, Suite 129, San Diego 92120, or, Children's Hospital and Health Center, 8001 Frost St., San Diego 92123.

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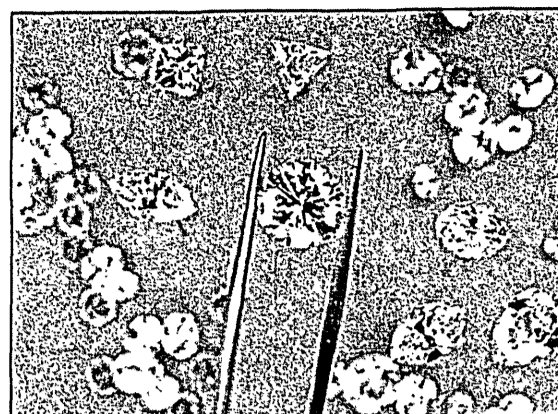
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Paul Miller; had headed both Gannett Co., Associated Press

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WEST PALM BEACH, Fla. — Paul Miller, a lifelong newspaperman who served as chairman of both Gannett Co. and the Associated Press, has died at age 84.

Miller, who divided his time between homes in Florida and Pittsford, N.Y., died Wednesday evening at Good Samaritan Hospital in West Palm Beach of complications from pneumonia, a hospital official said. He had been hospitalized since Monday.

As president, chief executive and chairman of Gannett, Miller oversaw the expansion of a small newspaper group into the nation's largest. He retired in 1980, after 33 years with Gannett.

Miller served as AP's Washington bureau chief during World War II, knew all the U.S. presidents since Franklin D. Roosevelt, and

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counted among his friends many leading figures in government, politics and business.

Former U.S. Attorney General and Secretary of State William P. Rogers, now a lawyer in New York, said Miller was "known and respected by leaders of both political parties, and often called upon to consult with and give advice to presidents."

He was chairman of the AP board from 1963 to 1977, the only former AP employee to hold that position.

"Paul Miller was not just AP's chairman. He was its champion, always challenging us to do better but never failing to hail a job well done," said Louis D. Boccardi, president and general manager of the AP.

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Death and Funeral Notices

- FLINN—Reva J., died Aug. 19, 1991. She worked as a Physician Assistant for Dr. Malvin Williams 15 yrs. For the past 11 years she worked in Concord, CA, for Chevron as a Lab Technician. Survived by husband Harvey Flinn of Concord, CA, daughter Colette (Walter) Jones of San Diego, son Reginald Flinn of Centerville, VA., 2 grandchildren, 3 brothers, 2 sisters. Funeral Service Sat. Aug. 24 at 10:30 a.m. Anderson Ragsdale Mortuary, Interment Mt. Hope.
- GLAZEBROOK—Mary N., passed away Aug. 20, 1991. Mother of James & Gerald. Grandmother of James B. and Gerald Jr., Julie Whetzel and Jill Ynlquez. Great grandmother of Sara and Diana. Memorial Services Tuesday Aug. 27th, 1 p.m. at Poway-Bernardo Mortuary.
- HANNA—Gary E., died on Aug. 20, 1991. Husband of Virginia Hanna. Brother of William Hanna. Son of Helen Hanna. Uncle of Regan Wille, Gerald and Matthew Kor, Eric and Tamara Hanna. Visitation Fri. 5 to 9 p.m. Services Sat. 11 a.m. both at Greenwood Mortuary, Interment Greenwood Memorial Park. Contributions to Gary Hanna Memorial Fund, 10644 Trigo Way, Santee, CA. 92071.
- HEALIS—Phyllis E., died 8-20-91. Born in Pomona, CA. May 19, 1920. Wife of Fred Healis (Deceased). Sister of George (Neil) Boldt. Memorial Service 10 a.m. Sat. La Mesa Presbyterian Church Stanford & Harbison.
- LEITCH—Brian. Survived by parents Irv and Clara Leitch, sister Michelle Leitch, brother Douglas Leitch. Visitation Sat & Sun. 12 p.m. to 4 p.m. Glen Abbey Mortuary. Funeral Service Mon. 12 p.m. Chapel of the Roses. Glen Abbey Mortuary Directing.
- LIMTIACO—Juan I., passed away August 18, 1991. Survived by wife Maria B. Limtiaco and children. Visitation Sat & Sun 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. Service Sat. 12 noon. Clairemont Mortuary. Interment in Guam.
- LOVELY—Michael F., died August 21, 1991. Father of Nicole and Guy W. Lovely. Son of Frank and Bernice Lovely. Grandfather of Heidi Lindley and Jennifer Fuller. Brother of Sandra Y. Young. Memorial Service Tues 10 am Greenwood Mortuary. Cremation.
- MARTINEZ—John "Juan" died August 20, 1991. Husband of Vicenta Martinez. Father of Juan Martinez and Ruth Vaconelli. 6 Grandchildren 3 great grandchildren. Services Fri. 6 p.m. and Sat. 10 a.m. both at Apostolic Church, Otay. Interment Greenwood Memorial Park.
- TURNER—Barbara Lane, died Aug. 15, 1991 at Hillside Hospital. Survived by son Mike Turner. Memorial Services Kensington Community Church Sunday Aug. 25 at 10:45 a.m.
- TURPIN—Elizabeth Anna, 84, a 17 year resident of Point Loma, died Aug. 19, 1991. She was a graduate of the University of Rochester, an accomplished artist and gave 25 years of hospital volunteer service to the American Red Cross. She is survived by her husband Cmdr. Homer A. Turpin (Ret.) USN, a daughter Sarah Elizabeth and 2 grandchildren Leslie & Robert all of the San Francisco area. Services will be held Friday Aug. 23, 2:30 p.m. All Souls Episcopal Church in Point Loma.

To place a funeral notice call Lynn Evans • 293-1912 8:30 AM to 5:00 PM weekdays 12:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. Saturday