



Michael Radock

July 17, 1917 - November 10, 2005

Michael Radock, age 87, died Wednesday, December 15, 2004 in the Glacier Hills Nursing Center, Ann Arbor, Michigan. A son of the late Nicholas and Pauline Radish Radock, he was born on July 17, 1917 in Belle Vernon. In 1942, he graduated magna cum laude from Westminster College, New Wilmington, PA. He held a Master's Degree in journalism from Northwestern University with further graduate study at Case-Western University. He worked for various newspapers in the Pittsburgh / Western Pennsylvania area, and radio news in Canton, Ohio. He later served on the faculties of Westminster College, Kent State University and the University of Wyoming. For nine years, he was on the corporate public relations staff at Ford Motor Company's World Headquarters in Dearborn, Michigan. From 1961-1981 he was vice-president for university relations and professor of journalism at the University of Michigan in Ann Arbor. After retiring from Michigan in 1981, he was the senior vice-president for university relations and development and a professor of journalism at the University of Southern California. From 1983-1993, he was vice-president for resource development at the Aspen Institute in New York City, and advisor to the president at the Charles Stewart Mott Foundation in Flint, Michigan. He was appointed by President Gerard Ford to the Board of Foreign Scholarships which supervises the Fulbright Exchange Program. He also served as chairman of the White House Initiative Science and Technology Advisory Committee on Historically Black Colleges and Universities. He was a trustee of the Michigan Historical Center Foundation,

the Ann Arbor Area Community Foundation and the Council for Advancement and Support of Education. In 1980, he received the Distinguished Service Award for leadership in institutional advancement for minority colleges and universities. In addition to his parents, he was preceded in death by his wife, Helen Hower Radock April 27, 2001. They were married September 2, 1944. Together they enjoyed traveling on every continent and participated actively in many local arts and civic organizations. They were members of the First Presbyterian Church of Ann Arbor. Also preceding him in death were 2 brothers, Joseph 'Moe' Radock and George Radock. Survivors include 2 sons and 1 daughter-in-law Robert Radock of Orlando, FL and William and Isabelle of Cincinnati, OH, 2 grandsons, Brian and Scotty Radock of Orlando, 3 brothers Richard Radock of Belle Vernon, Stephen Radock of Baltimore, MD and Charles Radock of Wexford and 2 sisters, Sophie Cutter and Paulette Radock, both of Belle Vernon. Friends will be received from 7 to 9 P.M. Saturday and from 2 to 4 and 7 to 9 P.M. Sunday in the Ferguson Funeral Home, Inc. and Cremation Service, a Golden Rule Member Firm, 724-929-5300, 700 Broad Avenue, Belle Vernon, PA where funeral services will be held on Monday at 11:00 A.M. Interment will follow in Belle Vernon Cemetery. Memorial contributions may be made to Westminster College, Development Office, New Wilmington, PA 16172