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# Valley of the Giants—

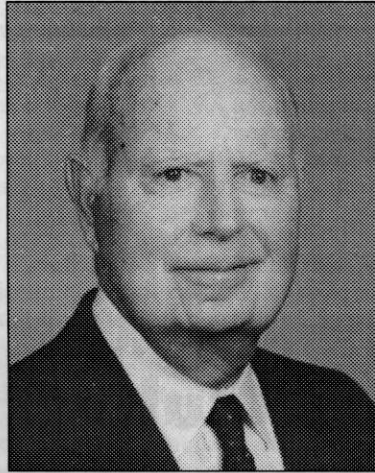
## William D. Apple

(1919 – 1997)

William D. Apple was born in Washington, D.C., grew up in Columbus, Ohio, and in 1941, obtained his degree in Civil Engineering, with Honors, from Ohio State University. Upon graduation, he enlisted, the U.S. Army, and served as an Engineering Officer in the 1st Armored Division, where he later received the Legion of Merit and an honorable discharge as Major, in 1945.

In 1949 Mr. Apple, with some close friends, organized the Encrete Construction Company, which pioneered concrete bridge construction in the 1960s and Imperial House Motels in the 1970s. Encrete became one of the Dayton area's largest construction companies and employed as high as 1,500. Encrete was listed as a Fortune 500 Company. Encrete built the original IBM building in downtown Dayton, as well as numerous motels, homes, offices and warehouses.

Mr. Apple was also instrumental in the building of Sycamore Creek Country Club, the Fairmont Presbyterian



*William D. Apple*

Church, plus construction of many area swimming pools and restaurants. He was a member of Tau Beta Pi Fraternity, the American Society of Civil Engineers, Engineers Club of Dayton, Ohio State University Alumni Association, Sycamore Creek Country Club and The Presidents Club. He and his wife were among the first 100 members of Fairmont Presbyterian Church. He had served in each of the above groups as an officer, trustee, or as a board member.

On Saturday, July 12, this outstanding Dayton area engineer, entrepreneur, developer and businessman passed away, at age 77 as a result of a stroke and complications.

He has left behind his wife of 56 years, his three daughters, seven grandchildren and a brother. Another former Engineers Club member, Gary B. Yagley, is a son-in-law of Mr. Apple.

It is outstanding individuals, such as William D. Apple, who have made the Miami Valley what it is today, and will forever be—The VALLEY of the GIANTS!

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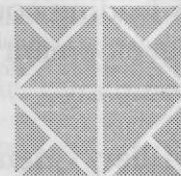
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