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## Harold W. Shaw: 1913 - 2000

*Engineers Club Bids Farewell to Noted Engineer, Philanthropist*

It was with great shock and sadness that the Membership of the Engineers Club greeted the news that Harold W. Shaw had passed away on May 22. Mr. Shaw has long been a treasured Member of this Club, and has contributed to the history and success of the Club in many tangible and intangible ways. Mr. Shaw was 86 years old.

Known as a major business force in the Dayton area, as well as a generous philanthropist, Mr. Shaw first came to Dayton during World War II as a design and development officer at Wright- Patterson Air Force Base. Like many who have served at WPAFB, he and his wife, Mary Louise, stayed in Dayton following his tour of duty. From there he joined the work force of the Monarch Marking Systems Company, where he rose through the engineering, sales, and executive ranks, culminating in his position as Sales Director. He was responsible for much of the sales success of Monarch from 1946 until he retired in 1968.

Mr. Shaw's activity as a philanthropist was well known in the Dayton area. The Shaws have

made many significant contributions to Miami Valley Hospital, where the hospital's medical imaging center is named for him, and Hospice of Dayton. The Shaws were major contributors when Hospice doubled its capacity in 1996 with a \$5.5 million building. He supported the Engineers Club of Dayton in myriad ways, including contributions to the recent Renaissance Program and contributions directly to the Club. The Engineers Club bestowed its highest honor upon Harold Shaw in 1997, making him a Fellow.

Following his retirement, Mr. Shaw involved himself in real estate ventures, including projects in Vail, Colorado, and managed the Ski Resort Lodge there.

Mr. Shaw was an officer in the

Dayton Sales Executive Club, the Dayton Council on World Affairs, the Dayton Area Chamber of Commerce and the Dayton Kiwanis Club. He also belonged to Westminster Presbyterian Church. Mr. Shaw was born November 13, 1913, in St. Paul, Minnesota.

He graduated at the top of his class in 1935 from the University of Minnesota College of Engineering. He is survived by his wife, Mary Louise; daughter Sally Veitch of Colorado; and two grandsons, Frederick and Robert Veitch. Services for Mr. Shaw were held at Woodland Mausoleum on May 26, 2000. The Shaw family requested that, in lieu of flowers, contributions be made to the Hospice of Dayton.

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Harold W. Shaw was born on November 13, 1913, in St. Paul, Minnesota. He attended public schools there, and graduated at the top of his class in 1935 from the University of Minnesota's College of Engineering. He received his bachelor's degree in mechanical engineering.

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A process test engineer for Carbide & Carbon Chemical Corporation in South Charleston, West Virginia, from 1935 to 1939, he became a sales engineer for the Ingersoll-Rand Corporation from 1935 to 1942. He resigned to join the U.S. Army Air Corps and was stationed at Wright-Patterson Air Force Base as a design and development officer for two years, prior to becoming the assistant chief of operations, Equipment Laboratory. After he achieved the rank of Major, he resigned in 1946 to work for Monarch Marking Systems Company in Dayton.

### Historical Achievements



After receiving training in all factory departments for two years, Shaw was promoted to export sales manager and established marketing, pricing, and sales policies, and selected sales representatives.

In 1950, he was named vice president and a director of Monarch and, until 1956, proposed, conceptualized, developed, and managed Monarch-Mexico and Monarch-Brazil, both operating at a profit from the first year. He also founded and obtained sales rights for the Tickopres machines during this period. In 1956, he was chosen to supervise and coordinate the direction of all branch factories, and in 1957 recommended the architect and general contractors for the Torrance Street addition.

In 1958, Harold became the sales director; and by mid-1963, under his guidance, the Sales Department went from a one man operation with independent salesmen to an efficient organization with department heads, salesmen, branch and district managers, and retail and industrial divisions with training programs for departmental growth.

Upon leaving Monarch in early 1968, Mr. Shaw became the owner and manager of several real estate properties, including the Ski Resort Lodge in Vail, Colorado. His other activities have included membership in the Dayton Sales Executive Club, the Dayton Council on World Affairs, the Dayton Area Chamber of Commerce, the Dayton Kiwanis Club, and Westminster Presbyterian Church. Last, but not least, is the Engineers Club of Dayton, where he was honored last year as a Fellow of the Club. In all of the above, he has held elected office positions.

It is with great pleasure that we place the name of Harold W. Shaw on the treasured roll of our VALLEY OF THE GIANTS.