



Edmund Valtman

January 12, 2005

VALTMAN, Edmund S.

Edmund S. Valtman, 90, a Pulitzer Prize winning cartoonist, died Wednesday Jan. 12, 2005 in Bloomfield where he had made his home the past 40 years. He was the husband of the late Helmi Grunberg Valtman. Born in Estonia, he was the son of the late Juhan and Elisabeth Kukk Valtman, immigrating to this country in 1949. He came to Hartford in 1951. His first cartoon was printed in a children's magazine when he was 15 years old. Valtman believed cartoons, beside being editorial expressions were works of art. Mr. Valtman worked as an editorial cartoonist for the former Hartford Times Newspaper and as an independent artist. He was a founding member of American Editorial Cartoonist, a member of the Society of Cartoonist, the West Hartford Art League, the Canton Artist's Guild, the Connecticut Estonian Society, and the Estonian Evangelical Lutheran Church in CT, Inc. He is survived by his nieces; Lillian Shoebridge of Toronto, Canada, Kai McInnes of Mansfield, Ontario, and many close friends and colleagues. A memorial service will be held February 5, 2005 at 12:00 Noon in the Emmanuel Lutheran Church, 60 Church St. Manchester, CT. Donations in his memory may be made to the Estonia Relief Committee, Inc. 243 East 34th Street, NY, NY 10016, or the Estonian Evangelical Lutheran Church, C/O Rev. Uudo Tari, 41 Martin Terrace Glastonbury, CT 06033 .

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“ We shall miss Ed, but how lucky we feel that because of living at Duncaster, we got to know him and Helmi - and this was our great fortune. We also feel fortunate in that we have several of Ed's prints that we enjoy. His cartoons of life at Duncaster were a delight and in some instances made us see things differently - I think in particular of the one with scaffolding that he saw as Christmas decorations. Our sympathy goes out to his nieces and his friends.##imported-begin##Stephen & Fran Cobb##imported-end##

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