



Robert Benfer



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Oscoda Kiwanis Club

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The Oscoda Kiwanis Club recommends for recognition one of our deceased members who contributed much to both our club and the Kiwanis of Michigan Foundation.

This is a brief biographical sketch of Dr. Benfer who passed away on January 17, 1998 at his winter residence in Avon Park, Florida.

Name: Robert D. Benfer

Date of Birth: December 2, 1926

Education: Midland High School Graduate

Central Michigan University, Bachelor of Science

University of Detroit, Doctor of Dentistry (1959)

Married to Harriet (Pierson) Benfer since August 12, 1950

Dr. Benfer began his dental practice in Bellaire, Michigan, later transferring his practice to West Branch, Michigan. When he retired from dentistry, he and Harriet moved to Oscoda, Michigan where he joined the Oscoda Kiwanis Club in December, 1988. Since joining our club, he has been a regular contributor to a number of projects. Some of his notable accomplishments are:

Served as Interclub Chair and co-Chair: Dr. Benfer, as chairman, was responsible for the club's recognition by way of double Round Robin and triple Round Robin awards for a three year period. He also served as Adopt-a-Highway Chair and regularly recruited fellow members to work this worthwhile project. He was a member of the club's Board of Directors from 1995-1997 and lastly, he achieved eight years of perfect attendance

If it can be said of anyone, Dr. Benfer was a friend, worker and endless source of fun to his fellow club members. He was a tireless worker who rarely refused an assignment. In addition to his regular "assigned" responsibilities highlighted above, he has been involved in one way or another in virtually every project the club has undertaken.

Bob's loss is a sad one for the club but an even sadder occasion for all of us who were privileged to say he was our friend and fellow Kiwanian.

Very Truly Yours,

Patrick Migan
President

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