

# LIFE STORIES

## Births

To Samantha and **MARK COUPLAND** (att.), Warburton, Australia, a girl, Jacinta Rose, Dec. 26, 1997.

To **PAMELA (STREIDLE) ANDERS** (MAT '85) and Jay Anders, Chattanooga, Tenn., a girl, Allison Janelle, March 27, 1998.

To **DAWN (NESMITH)** (MA '91) and **BYRON BURKE** (BS '88), Prairie Village, Kan., a girl, Erin Amber, Aug. 23, 1998.

## Weddings

**MELONEE RANZINGER** (BA '86) and James Patterson were married May 23, 1998, and now reside in Redondo Beach, Calif.

**TIM ROSENBOOM** (MDiv '77) and **MARY NELL BOND** (*current staff*) were married June 28, 1998, and now reside in Berrien Springs.

**TAMI FINNELL** (BS '97) and **MARK BOWARD** (BS '98) were married July 5, 1998, and now reside in Benton Harbor, Mich.

Natalie Hook and **J. DARIN PATZER** (MBA '97) were married July 19, 1998, and now reside in Paw Paw, Mich.

**REHEMA MEGESA** (BS '98)

and **MENKER FELEKE** (BA '94, MDiv '97) were married July 26, 1998, and now reside in Loma Linda, Calif.

**KAYLEITH PIERCE** (BSW '97, MSW '98) and **TIMOTHY PELLANDINI** (BS '96, MSPT '97) were married Aug. 16, 1998, and now reside in Bath, Mich.

**MEGAN STEMBRIDGE** (BS '97, MSPT '98) and **ARVIN DELACRUZ** (BArch '97) were married Aug. 30, 1998, and reside in Berrien Springs.

**JENNIFER INGELS** (BS '96, MSPT '97) and Michael Jenks were married Sept. 6, 1998, and now reside in Belleville, Mich.

Patricia Pinheiro and **IVAN GOLUBIC** (BBA '98) were married Sept. 20, 1998, and now reside in Chicago, Ill.

## Deaths

**CARRELL V. "BUD" SHULER** (att. '51-55) was born Jan. 4, 1925, in Berrien Springs and died Aug. 23, 1998, in St. Joseph, Mich.

A lifetime resident of Berrien Springs, Mr. Shuler was a great supporter of Andrews University, enrolling his own children and encouraging his grandchildren who have attended Andrews over the years.

He is survived by his wife Isabel, whom he married in 1945; a daughter, **MARIJANE MOSHER** (BA '71) of Haslett, Mich.; two sons, **CARRELL SHULER II** (BA '73) of Berrien Springs and **PETER JON SHULER** (BS '82) of Palo Alto, Calif.; a sister, Joann Herford of Berrien Springs; and four grandchildren.

**CARL D. ANDERSON** (MA '57) was born April 2, 1912, in Baltimore, Md., and died May 30, 1998, in St. Helena, Calif.

He received a master's degree from Andrews University in church history.

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**David W. Swaine, associate professor of economics, was born Dec. 2, 1934, in Gloucester, England, and died Oct. 20, 1998, following a lengthy illness in Berrien Springs.**

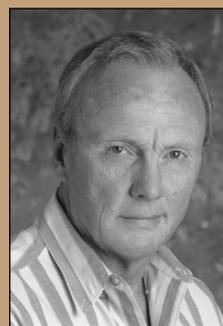
He grew up in Africa, where his parents were Seventh-day Adventist missionaries in Kenya and South Africa.

In South Africa, Swaine attended Helderberg College, graduating with a business diploma in 1954.

For several years he served in the SDA church in Rhodesia (now Zimbabwe), first as an accountant and later as a treasurer.

He and his wife Rona (who preceded him in death) moved their family to the U.S. in the late 1960s when he studied at the Northrop Institute of Technology in California. He graduated there with a BS in engineering technology. He then completed an MS degree in operations management in 1974. In the same year he was invited to join the faculty at Andrews University to teach mechanical engineering for the College of Technology.

After four years of teaching at Andrews, Swaine joined the School of Business as an assistant professor in economics, with a joint appointment in the College of



*David Swaine*

Technology. He completed both a master's degree and a PhD in economics at The University of Notre Dame in the 1980s.

He is survived by his wife Lois of Niles, Mich.; two daughters, Carla Ann Borresen of Son, Norway, and Ingrid Smalling of Neptune Beach, Fla.; three stepsons, J.

Thomas Vetne of Valparaiso, Ind.; Josef Vetne of Niles, Jason Vetne of Arlington, Va.; a stepdaughter, Shiromi Payne of Indianapolis, Ind.; three grandchildren and three stepgrandchildren; his brother, Dermot Swaine of Cape Town, South Africa; and his sister, Sharon Searle of Armadale, Australia.

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The Andrews University family was saddened to note the death of ARTHUR O. COETZEE (MA '67), Provost, Emeritus, on Oct. 9, 1998. The following is the edited Life Sketch read by Newton Hoilette, vice president for student services, at the memorial service held in Pioneer Memorial Church, Oct. 13, 1998.

Arthur O'Callaghan Coetzee was born March 30, 1931, near the town of Maltahohe in the African country of Namibia.

With the great drought of 1931 and the ensuing depression, the family moved to Mariental where his older brothers worked to earn a living for the family of one girl and six boys. His brothers' act of sacrifice in service for the family was not lost on Arthur, and in a way it was to shape his own life of service. Recalling these hard times, Arthur remembered having to carry his shoes to school in his hands so as not to wear them out.

Arthur was attached to the dry, dusty surroundings of his native Namibia and sometimes described himself as a "man of the soil," referring to his affinity for nature which resulted in a respectable collection of insects, birds' eggs and butterflies, and a lifelong interest in bird watching.

Arthur's loyal commitment to Christian education began at the age of 12 when his mother sacrificed to send him to Helderberg High School. After school, Arthur enrolled in the South African Police College. He became a constable and shortly afterwards the youngest detective in the Namibian police force.

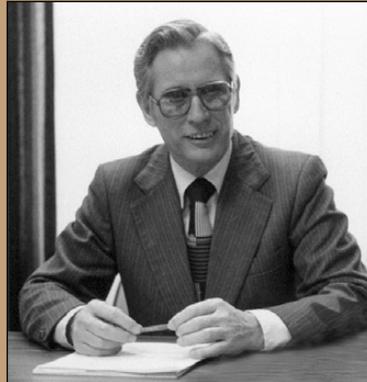
At the height of his career as a police detective, Arthur felt convicted that he could make a more positive impact on society by helping young people shape their lives, rather than by bringing criminals to justice.

He returned to Helderberg College and majored in botany, zoology and history. And so began his dedication to serving others.

While at Helderberg, Arthur met Cynthia Bradfield, and they were married on July 9, 1956. This romance was to continue for 42 years and three months.

After graduation, Arthur accepted a teaching position at Sedaven High School in South Africa, where he served as boys' dean, full-time teacher, maintenance director, and later as vice principal. Although a keen disciplinarian, Arthur truly had a gift for earning the love and respect of young people, thus becoming a mentor for many workers in South Africa.

While living at Sedaven, the Coetzees' two children—Lynda and Andrew—were born. The family then moved to Cape Town, where Arthur served at Hillcrest Secondary School as teacher and principal.



*Arthur Coetzee*

With a strong conviction that educators should constantly improve their own skills and knowledge, Arthur came to Andrews University where he earned an MA in educational administration in 1967.

After serving as the Director of Education in South Africa, Arthur earned his EdD in 1972 in educational administration from the University of Knoxville where he had been a research fellow as a facility planning consultant for the state of Tennessee, an appointment through the university.

He then became president of Helderberg College. Arthur successfully focused his expertise and energies on the process of complete racial integration which eventually developed into an open-admissions policy. He also developed a master plan, implemented it, developing, renovating and beautifying the physical plant.

Arthur also emphasized academic improvement with structural administrative changes and the development of accredited degrees. He was named the Helderberg College Alumnus of the Year in 1986.

In 1979 Arthur joined Andrews University as associate professor of educational administration and director of affiliation and extension programs, where he focused attention on the university's international influence with multiple affiliation and extension sites worldwide. A new and unforgettable era began.

He held numerous positions during his 18 years at Andrews. As dean of the School of Graduate Studies, he restructured graduate education at Andrews. As vice president for academic administration, he became the spokesperson for academic quality and the architect of policies which have resulted in providing the structure for a more consistent and rational university environment. As provost for strategic planning, he began to implement the strategic plan with vigor and a clear view of Andrews' future. Arthur also had a keen interest in Christian philosophy and church history, subjects he cherished, enthusiastically studied and taught at the SDA Theological Seminary.

In 1992, Arthur received the John Nevins Andrews Medallion from Andrews University. He retired officially in 1996, but continued to be of service to the institution.

Arthur fought a long and valiant battle with lymphoma, initially diagnosed in 1991. He passed away peacefully on Oct. 9, 1998. He wanted to be remembered as a caring husband, father and grandfather, uncle, a loyal employee, a credible leader, and a trustworthy colleague and friend.

He is survived by his wife Cynthia of Berrien Springs; a daughter, LYNDA HURLow (att. '82) of Berrien Springs; a son, ANDREW (BBA '83) of Lakewood, Calif.; and four grandchildren.

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He taught in a number of Adventist schools, including Canadian Union College, Oakwood College and Weimar Institute. He taught at Andrews Academy from 1966 to 1968.

He is survived by his wife Lois M. Ferren-Flory, a son, Don D. Anderson, a daughter, Jean L. Calvert, two grandchildren, and three great-grandchildren.

**HARRY A. WOHLERS** (BA '31) was born March 23, 1899, in Bunker Hill, Ill., and died May 29, 1998, in Holly, Mich.

He was employed by the Adventist church for 43 years, serving as an accountant and business manager at Indiana Academy, Broadview Academy and Adelpian Academy. He retired in 1971.

He is survived by his wife Evelyn, whom he married in 1976; two daughters, Harriette Mason of Springhill, Fla., and Vesta Gutsche of Sunland, Calif.; two sons, Dorison Wohlers of Holly and Fred Wohlers of Centerville, Ohio; 15 grandchildren; 19 great-grandchildren; and two great-great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his son Dale Wayne Wohlers and his first wife of 54 years, Vesta Belle Wohlers.

**LINDA JOY HABENICHT** (att. '76) was born March 19, 1953, in Flint, Mich., and died Oct. 9, 1998, in Kalamazoo, Mich.

Ms. Habenicht died from injuries sustained after

being struck by a car while she attempted to cross US31 in Berrien Springs.

She attended elementary school, academy and college on the Andrews campus, and she received a degree in physical therapy from Loma Linda University in 1976.

Survivors include her mother **BETH** ('42, former staff) of Berrien Springs; two sisters, **MERRY BETH KNOLL** (BS '68) of Staunton, Va., and **CHEERI LEE ROBERTS** (BS '70) of Ballston Spa, N.Y.

**MERRIDITH SMITH-DICKERSON** (BS '74) was born March 27, 1951, in Ypsilanti, Mich., and died Oct. 13, 1998, in Berrien Center, Mich.

After graduating from Andrews Academy in 1969, she studied nursing at Andrews. She worked as a nurse in Ohio, Michigan and Maryland.

She is survived by her parents **REGER** (BA '49, former faculty) and **KATHERINE SMITH** (BA '71, former staff) of Berrien Springs; her sons, Frank III of Berrien Springs and Kevin of Germantown, Ohio; two sisters, **MARJORIE BATES** (BS '79) of Heidelberg, Germany, and **SUSAN SMITH** (BS '86) of Izmir, Turkey; and a brother, **REGER JR.** (BS '76) of Columbia, Md.

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