

# LIFE STORIES

## Weddings

DEBORAH SIMPSON (BS '71) and RUSSELL ASHDON, JR. (BA '70) were married May 30, 1999, and reside in Vacaville, Calif.

Julie Anne Karmy and JASON BURGHART (BSIT '95) were married July 4, 1999, and reside in Florence, Kentucky.

TISSIANA KELLEY (BS '98) and TRAVIS BOWMAN (BBA '94) were married July 16, 1999, and reside in Berrien Springs.

Sophie Anderson and LAMONT BEREZCZ (BA '97) were married Aug. 8, 1999, and reside in Charlottesville, Va.

EDEN PARTLO (BS '99) and CARY KITTLESON (BT '99) were married Aug. 22, 1999, and reside in Berrien Springs.

JANELLE BURGHART (BA '98) and CHRISTOPHER RANDALL (BBA '94) were married Sept. 5, 1999, and reside in Lawton, Mich.

JENNIFER M. TREMPER (BS '95) and Nader Homayouni were married Sept. 5, 1999, and reside in Laurel, Md.

A. MONISE ROLLINS (MDiv '99) and ROY "KEITH" HAMILTON (MDiv '99) were

married Sept. 6, 1999, and reside in Berrien Springs.

KATHRYN GORDON (BS '91) and MICHAEL SANCHEZ (att.) were married Oct. 17, 1999, and reside in Santa Barbara, Calif.

## Births

To BARBARA (EDLER) COUNCELL (BS '96) and LARRY COUNCELL (BT '94), Bossier City, La., a boy, Jordan Christian, April 29, 1999.

To ERIKA (TOUCHARD) KISSINGER (BS '93, MSPT '94) and DONALD KISSINGER, (AT '93), Baroda, Mich., a boy, Phillip Donald, June 8, 1999.

To DOROTHY (PAN) RAMIREZ (BS '92) and Dale Ramirez, Annapolis, Md., a boy, Ryan Edward, June 11, 1999. (Editor's note: Dorothy reports that their firstborn—also a son—Morgan Dean, was born in Sicily, Italy, April 24, 1998.)

To SHARON STONE (BA '88) and GREG DUNN (BS '85), Chicago, Ill., a boy, Dallas McNeil, June 13, 1999.

To THERESA (BODI) YAROSHEVICH (BA '93) and Alexander Yaroshevich, Moscow, Russia, a boy, Yan Alexander, Aug. 6, 1999.

To SHIRLEY (BS '87) and DAVID ALONSO (BS '88, cur-

rent faculty), Berrien Springs, a girl, Kayley Marie, Oct. 12, 1999.

## Deaths

CHARLES A. RENTFRO (BA '27) was born March 18, 1904, in Sigourney, Iowa, and died June 22, 1999, in Grand Junction, Colo.

When he was very young, his parents embarked on mission service, and Charles lived in Portugal and Brazil while growing up.

In 1925 he graduated from Brazil College and then two years later from Emmanuel Missionary College.

He married Esther Allen, Nov. 25, 1929, in Brazil at her parents' mission station. In 1935 the Rentfros moved to the United States where Charles worked in various departments of the General Conference until 1951—except for a term of service in Cuba as treasurer from 1940 to 1941.

He lived in California from 1951 to 1989 when he married Sylvia Buckman and then subsequently lived in Virginia, Tennessee and Florida.

He is survived by two daughters, Elaine Davis of Valley Springs, Calif., and Arloene Goley of Grand Junction, Colo., four grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

ROBERT KIRK McALLISTER (BA '31) was born Feb. 23, 1908, in Monterey, Mich., and died July 16, 1999, in Loma Linda, Calif.

Following his graduation from EMC, Kirk taught at Forest Lake Academy in Florida. He was to go on to teach and manage the presses at Glendale Union Academy as well as at Lynwood Academy and Lodi Academy, all in California.

He later served as secretary-treasurer of the East Cuba Conference and the Dominican Republic mission. He then was employed in hospital work at Porter Hospital in Denver and at Hinsdale Hospital in the Chicago area as purchasing director.

His wife, Ione, of nearly 66 years lives in Loma Linda, and he is also survived by two sons, Robert and Merwyn, six grandchildren and nine great-grandchildren.

HULDRICH H. "BOOTS" KUHLMAN (BS '40) was born Oct. 17, 1913, in Higgins, Texas, and died Oct. 5, 1999, in Collegedale, Tenn.

Kuhlman attended EMC for his undergraduate study. He completed a master's degree at George Peabody University and a doctorate at the University of Tennessee at Knoxville.

He was a biology professor and chair of the biology department at Southern

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Adventist University in Tennessee from 1946 until he retired in 1980. After his retirement, he continued to teach part-time at Southern until 1987.

Survivors include his wife Marian L. Kuhlman of Collegedale; a son, Charles

of Chattanooga; a daughter, Beverly Kinney of Longwood, Fla.; a sister, Rose Brittain of Spring, Texas; and four grandchildren.

**JEAN M. CRIDER** (former faculty) was born April 3, 1914,

in Ingersoll, Ont., and died Oct. 14, 1999, in Mesa, Ariz.

Jean Howard graduated from Canadian Junior College with a two-year degree and then completed a nursing degree at Washington Missionary College in 1939. She married

Charles Crider, a ministerial student. Together they travelled to the Middle East as World War II ended, serving two terms as missionaries in Iran, Iraq and Lebanon.

Upon return to the United States, Mrs. Crider completed a master's degree in nursing, focusing on maternal/child care, at Loma Linda University in 1962. She continued her work in nursing in California and then in Michigan after her husband joined the faculty at Andrews. She worked in administrative positions at Mercy Hospital in Benton Harbor before joining the nursing faculty at Andrews.

After retirement, she and her husband made their home in Mesa, Ariz., where they continued as active members of their local Adventist church. Charles preceded her in death.

Mrs. Crider is survived by her daughters, Sharon Webb of Santa Clara, Utah; **DAWN MOSER** (att.) of Hartford, Mich.; **CAROL CRIDER** (BA '69) of Mesa, Ariz.; and her son **CHARLES CRIDER, JR.** (BA '70) of Battle Creek, Mich.; 13 grandchildren; 25 great-grandchildren, and one great-great-grandchild.

**C. MERVYN MAXWELL** (MA '51, *professor emeritus*) was born in Watford, England, Jan. 13, 1925, and died July 21, 1999, in St. Joseph, Mich., following an extended illness.

Dr. Maxwell was chairman of the church history department of the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary from 1968 until his retirement in 1987. Before coming to Andrews, he pastored several churches in California and taught religion at Union College in Lincoln, Neb.

He held a bachelor's degree (1946) from Pacific Union College in Angwin, Calif., a master's degree (1951) from the SDA Theological Seminary (then located in Takoma Park, Md.), and a doctoral degree from the University of Chicago (1966). He was a member of the American Historical Association, the American Society of Church History, and the Society of Biblical Literature. He was also co-founder of Adventist Historical Properties, a corporation for preserving and restoring Adventist historical sites.

An active writer, Maxwell authored many articles and was acting editor of *Adventist Affirm* at the time of his death. He also published several books, including *Man, What a God!* and *Tell It To The World*, a history of the SDA Church. His two-vol-

ume commentary on the books of Daniel and Revelation, titled *God Cares*, has been translated into several languages.



*C. Mervyn Maxwell*

His colleague Daniel Augsburger remembers that Maxwell "always had a cheerful word to say, even when he was sick."

Augsburger also recalls Maxwell's strong commitment to the church and his ability to stand for what he believed in.

Survivors include his wife, Pauline Weitz Maxwell of Berrien Springs; a son, **STANLEY** (BA '81, MA '91) of Berrien Springs; his twin brother, S. Lawrence Maxwell of Maryland; two brothers, A. Graham Maxwell and **D. MALCOLM MAXWELL** (MA '58) both of California; one sister, Deidre Smith of California, and a granddaughter, Claudia "Roxy" Maxwell of Berrien Springs.

**Editor's note:** Dr. Maxwell's son, Stanley, would like to know if former students of his father have tape recordings of Dr. Maxwell's classes. He writes: "I'm especially interested in any audio recordings of his Sabbath-Sunday class. I'm also interested in audio recordings of any of his classes, sermons, lectures, seminars, or tours. If no tapes are available of the classes, I'm interested in copies of notes from the classes. Please notify me at 4707 Kimber Lane, Berrien Springs, MI 49103. Thank you in advance for any help you can give."

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