

Arthur Voikos

Arthur Harry Voikos, co-owner along with his wife, of Rob's Bar in downtown Oxford, died January 18, 1992 at St Joseph Mercy Hospital. He was 63.

Mr Voikos was born September 2, 1928 in Pawtucket, Rhode Island. He was graduated from East Detroit High School and attended Wayne State University. On September 7, 1967 he married Vernita (Red) Hamilton in Lake Orion.

The couple opened Rob's Bar in 1974 but not until waitresses and barmaids went door to door collecting signatures on petitions to allow hard liquor to be sold within the village limits. At the time only beer and wine were allowed.

The petitions were taken to the village council, which granted the liquor license. Rob's became a fixture at 13 South Washington, and expanded to double its size last year.

Mr Voikos lived for the last 20 years in Oxford, where he was a member of the Chamber of Commerce. He was also a member of the Rochester Shrine Club #64 and Masonic Lodge 568.

In addition to his wife, Mr Voikos is survived by five children: Harry, of Lake Orion; Miss Terrie Hamilton, of Clarkston; Mrs Tina Krapek, of Avon, Ct; Mrs Lisa Shepard, of Waterford; and John Shepard, of Lake Orion. Eight grandchildren also survive as does a sister, Violet Green of Georgia.

Funeral services were this morning (Wednesday) at Bossardet Funeral Home. Burial was in Ridgelawn Cemetery. Memorials may be made to the Lapeer Area Hospice.