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Deceased Name: Richard B. **Krupp**

SILVER LAKE -- Richard B. **Krupp** , 84, died Oct. 19, 1991 after a lengthy illness.

Born Nov. 15, 1906 in **Orrville, Ohio**, Mr. **Krupp** was a graduate of Barberton High School and Wittenberg College Class of 1929. He first worked as an artist at the Akron Engraving Co. in the 1930s. He later opened a photography studio on Mill Street in Akron with Mason Kay, after which he operated his own commercial art studio in Cuyahoga Falls for 37 years, retiring in 1976. His clients included the Goodyear Tire & Rubber Co. and the Oak Rubber Co. in Ravenna.

During the presidency of 'Ike' Eisenhower, Mr. **Krupp** created gigantic portrait murals from originals painted by Falls artist Jack Richard, which were then enlarged into huge number paintings over 100 feet square on canvas and painted by Tupperware personnel at their annual convention in Florida. Mr. **Krupp** was a senior vestryman at St. John's Episcopal Church in Cuyahoga Falls. He was also a past president of the Cuyahoga Falls Rotary Club and was instrumental in forming an American Field Service chapter for the Falls Rotary in 1955.

Mr. **Krupp** 's most notable achievement was his involvement as one of the original founding members of the Akron Society of Artists, founded in 1931 to assist artists during the Depression. Mr. **Krupp** first served a number of years as treasurer and later two terms as president. He was the last remaining founding member. When times were tough for the organization in the 1930s, it was common for Mr. **Krupp** to pay the A.S.A. expenses on his own. The organization honored him in 1978 by voting him a 'Member Emeritus' for life. Mr. **Krupp** leaves his wife of 63 years, Ruth; daughter, Judith **Krupp** Getz of Peninsula; son, Bruce B. **Krupp** of Spokane, Wash.; six grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren.

A memorial service will be held Wednesday, at 11 a.m. at St. John's Episcopal Church with Rev. Jeff L. Bunke officiating. Final resting place Cedar Grove Cemetery. The family requests that donations be sent to Richard **Krupp** Memorial Scholarship Fund, c/o Sue DeLac, A.S.A., 885 Deepwood, 44256. (McGowan-Reid & Santos, 928-1313.)