

Obituaries: Bryan, Minami, Huff

November 14, 2013

Katharine Bryan, 78, Oct. 26 in Knoxville, Tenn. She was Texas Woman Missionary Union Young Woman's Auxiliary and Baptist Young Woman's Director from 1965 to 1977. She was born and raised in Tennessee and worked with the Tennessee Baptist Convention after her graduation from Carson-Newman University. In 1961, she became a program associate with the Southern Baptist Convention WMU in Birmingham, Ala., coordinating activities there until she came to serve with Texas WMU 12 years. After she earned her doctorate from Southwestern Baptist Theological Seminary in Fort Worth, she worked with the SBC's Mission Education Council and Richland College in Dallas as director of the adult resource center. She went on to become executive director of Tennessee WMU, where she served until 1997. From 1997 to 2000, she was director of adult education at Carson-Newman University. She was preceded in death by her brother, George Bryan.

Terry Minami, 61, Nov. 9 in Milwaukee, Wisc. She served 18 years as administrative assistant to the dean of university libraries at Hardin-  Simmons University. She had undergone treatment for pancreatic cancer the past 18 months. She volunteered for countless activities both on campus and throughout the community. She also invited students to join her for Sunday meals. She often was called on to demonstrate her ability to create objects by folding paper. She made thousands of origami pieces for family and friends, and she spent many hours teaching the skill to others. She was the sponsor for the International Student Fellowship; the HSU chapter of Alpha Phi Omega, a national service organization; and the student newspaper, *The Brand*. She was honored with HSU's Altom Christian Service Award for outstanding and exemplary Christian service in 2011. An endowed scholarship at HSU has been established in her honor.

She is survived by her mother, Ruth Minami; son, Sean Fuqua; daughter, Amy Fuqua; and brother, Robert Minami.

✘ **Taylor Huff, 21, Nov. 10 in Abilene.** The Hardin-Simmons University student and football player was hit by a vehicle during an early morning walk. A senior wide receiver, he had played in eight games and had three catches for 34 yards. He played in 19 games during his career. He is survived by his parents, Richard and Lori Strawn, and brother, Terrance.