Parcells Jr., Charles

Charles A. Parcells Jr., 86, stock broker, of Grosse Pointe Farms, died Friday, April 14, 2006, at Bon Secours Hospital after suffering a stroke. At age 16, after attending Grosse Pointe Public Schools, Mr. Parcells entered Yale University as a freshman. After graduation (Yale Class of 1940), he served in the Army during World War II as a captain. After the war, he earned an MBA at the University of Michigan, where he met his future wife, Frances Hamilton. He was president of Charles A. Parcells & Company, a Michigan investment banking firm. He served on numerous boards including The Grosse Pointe War Memorial, The Grosse Pointe Library Board, the Respiratory Foundation of Southeastern Michigan, and 50 years as president of The William Lyon Phelps Foundation. He was a founding member of the local singing group called the Grunyons and performed with them for 50 years. He is survived by his children, Charles, Ann, Fred, Kathryn and David; and one grandchild, Claire. The funeral service will be at 3 p.m. on Thursday, April 20, 2006, at Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church, 8625 E. Jefferson Avenue, Detroit. Visitation will be from 3 to 8 p.m. on Wednesday at the Charles Verheyden Funeral Home, 16300 Mack Avenue, Grosse Pointe. Memorial contributions can be made to Jefferson Avenue Presbyterian Church or to Huron City Museums, 7995 Pioneer Drive, Port Austin 48467.