Community mourns Charles Deaktor

Charles Leonard Deaktor, community activist and chairman of Deaktor/Sysco Food Service in Harmony, died while on a business trip in Phoenix last week. He was 64.

Deaktor was involved in many Jewish organizations. He was the current president of Rodef Shalom Congregation; and was an involved member of B'nai Israel Congregation. A former president of the Pittsburgh Council of B'nai B'rith, he was an active supporter of Yeshiva Achei Tmimim. He was involved in the United Jewish Federation, and chaired the New Americans Committee in the early 1980's.

Deaktor headed the B'nai B'rith-Bonds drive for many years, and was president of the Herman

Fineberg Lodge.

Deaktor started in the meat and poultry business at age 16, working for Star Markets in Pittsburgh. In 1956, he created Deaktor Brothers' Provisions in the Strip District with his father, Harvey, and two uncles, Sam and Joe.

Deaktor formed Deaktor Provisions in 1966, expanding in 1981 and operating under the name Deaktor Prime Source.

Deaktor Prime Source was acquired by Sysco Corp. of Houston in 1986.



CHARLES DEAKTOR
Community activist.

Deaktor was named president of Deaktor/Sysco Food Service and became chairman in 1992.

Charles Deaktor was born March 17, 1931 in Pittsburgh, and received his bachelor's and master's degrees in business from the University of Pittsburgh.

Deaktor is survived by his wife, Marcia Aarons Deaktor; a daughter, Carol Susan Deaktor of Washington, D.C., and a son, Scott, of Shadyside; a daughter, Anne Beth McCarthy of Dearborn, MI; and a sister, Myrna Prince of Squirrel Hill.

Interment was at the West View Cemetery, Ross. Contributions may be made to the Rodef Shalom Temple Hunger Fund.