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## American Ingo Radicke

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### Ingo Radicke

Gila County has suffered the loss of a longtime resident and servant. Ingo Radicke passed away Friday, March 6, at Hospice of Arizona in Scottsdale at the age of 71.

Ingo Radicke lived the storied American Dream. On December 25, 1937 Ingo Radicke was born in Berlin, Germany. He and his family immigrated to the United States in 1959. He began his life in Arizona as an electrician in Bisbee, AZ. In 1967 he and his family moved to Globe where Ingo became the manager of the now Cable One office for the next 37 years.

Having begun early adulthood as an immigrant from a country healing from the second Great War, and

divided by communism, Ingo rose to influence the future government of his new nation. Ingo served as chairman of the Gila County Republican Committee. Twice he was a delegate to the Republican National Convention, served as an elector for the State of Arizona to the electoral college making Ronald Reagan the next president of the United States, and served up till now as a Republican precinct committeeman.

Ingo spent his life and gave his expertise to the use of the citizens of Gila County, the State of Arizona, and his local community. Ingo was appointed by Governor Jane Hull to the State Transportation Board where he was instrumental in the Highway 188 (Senator Hardt Highway), and the recent Gonzales Pass projects, and served his last year as chairman of the board. He served Gila County as a consultant, and numerous committees. He served as chair of the Southern Gila County EDC, and a member of the Globe-Miami Chamber of Commerce.

From immigrant to Patriot, Ingo Radicke lived the American Dream. The good-byes have mounted, but his place will not soon be filled.

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## Ingo Radicke Passes

"Ingo lived what this nation was founded on; you can work hard and become anything you dream," -Globe City Councilman Terry Wheeler.

"Ingo was a devoted servant of this community. For many months now he has been in our prayers. This community has lost a real leader and will be missed by all," Globe City Councilman Lerry Alderman.

"Friday we lost another leader who believed in our Globe-Miami community. Whenever asked to serve, he never hesitated. I will miss him." -Gila County Supervisor Michael Pastor.

"Some people quietly accomplish much for the benefit of all. Such was the case with Ingo. I thank Ursula for sharing Ingo with us." -Gila County Supervisor Shirley Dawson.

"We have just lost a fine man, a family man, a community leader, a Christian man, who wanted all to thrive. Rest in peace, Ingo Radicke." -Jim McCawley, Gila County Republican Committee.

"Ingo was one of, if not the most effective leader, I have ever had the privilege of working with." -Sheldon Miller, Director Graham County Chamber of Commerce.

"It was my pleasure to ... work closely with Mr. Ingo Radicke ... during his entire tenure on the state transportation board. He achieved an unprecedented level of transportation improvements during his time on the board, and was a true champion for rural Arizona." -Richard L. Powers, P.E.