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Uhr, Leonard Merrick

MADISON Leonard Uhr, who died on October 5, 2000, was a member of the Computer Sciences Department, University of Wisconsin-Madison, from 1965 until his retirement in 1992. During that time he wrote and edited numerous articles and books, among them *Pattern Recognition, Learning and Thought*, 1973; *Algorithm-Structured Computer Arrays and Networks*, 1984; *Multi-Computer Architectures for Artificial Intelligence*, 1987; and *Artificial Intelligence and Neural Networks* (with Vasant Honavar), 1994. His seminal work was perhaps an article written in 1963 with Charles Vossler, "A Pattern Recognition Program That Generates, Evaluates, and Adjusts Its Own Operators," reprinted in *Computers and Thought*, edited by E. Feigenbaum and J. Feldman. In addition to devoting his energies to his own research, Professor Uhr served as an advisor to many graduate students who went on to distinguished careers throughout the world. Professor Uhr was born in 1927. As a child he attended the Oak Lane

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Country Day School outside of Philadelphia. He graduated from Princeton in 1949, received masters degrees from Johns Hopkins and the University of Brussels, and received a Ph.D. from the University of Michigan in 1957. He served in the U.S. Army for a year (1945-1946). He is survived by his wife, Elizabeth; his sons, Frank and Steve; his daughters-in-law, Tamara and Vicky; and his five grandchildren, Michael, David, Lauren, Anna, and Natalie. He was one of the fortunate ones, he went to bed healthy and died in his sleep. We hope friends will join his family in remembering him on Sunday, October 15, 3:00 p.m. until 6:00 p.m. at his home, 211 Lathrop Street.