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Heart Attack Fatal To Clair E. Manatt

A heart attack claimed the life of Clair E. Manatt, 32, at his home here shortly before midnight last Wednesday.

The young father of six small children was about to retire for the night when he was stricken. He lived but a short time. He had just returned home after an evening of Halloweening with his family.

The young man, a partner with two brothers, G.J. and Merlin, in a number of business enterprises of business enterprises here for 12 years, was president of Manatt Transportation Co. and vice president of Manatts, Inc. He was in charge of the firm's sand and gravel plant at Tama, and also supervised a fleet of dump trucks, hauling road construction materials.

Funeral services were conducted Saturday morning at ten o'clock at St. Patrick's church, with the Rev. L.H. Mork reading the requiem low mass and preaching the funeral sermon. Mrs. Dean Gibney was organist and accompanied the girls' choir. Serving as acolytes were John Manatt, Brad Manatt and Rusty Clayton, all nephews of the deceased, and Dick Griffith.

Interment was in Brooklyn's Calvary cemetery, with Ernest Herink, Gene Osborn, Sam Belland, Leonard Roth, Maynard Saylor and Donald Brannian serving as pallbearers. In charge of flowerers were Mr. and Mrs. Jack Gustafson and Mr. and Mrs. Robert Belland.



Clair E. Manatt

The son of Gerald W. and Margaret Brothersen Manatt, Clair Eugene was born March 21, 1930, near Brooklyn, and died Oct. 31, 1962, at his home in Brooklyn.

Following graduation from Brooklyn High School in 1947, he attended Loras College at Dubuque for a year before enlisting in the navy where he served one year. He was later recalled for active naval duty during the Korean conflict.

He was married to Ruth Backen of Tama Nov. 27, 1952.

Survivors include his widow, Ruth; six children, Michael 9, Curtis 8, Alan Jerald 3, Thomas 2, and Marie, nine months; parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald W. Manatt; four brothers, G.J., Merlin and two brothers, (Mary Ellen) and Newton, G.J.

Manatt, Merlin Manatt and Mrs. Max (Marilyn) Clayton of Brooklyn, Mrs. Paul (Judy) Sueppel of Iowa City, and Janet, at home.

He was preceded in death by a sister, Anita, in 1949.

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A heart attack caused the sudden death of 32-year-old Clair Manatt at his home in Brooklyn Oct. 31.

Clair was a prominent Brooklyn businessman, having been one of three brothers in the Manatt business enterprises. He was vice president of Manatt's Inc., and president of Manatt's Transportation Co.

Survivors include his wife, Ruth, six children, Mike, Curt, Allen, Jerry, Tommy, and Ann; his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gerald W. Manatt of Brooklyn; two brothers, Junie and Merlin; and four sisters, Mary Ellen, Marilyn, Judy, and Janet.

Clair was born in Brooklyn, and graduated from high school there. He attended Loras College in Dubuque, and served twice with the United States Navy; immediately following World War II and again in the Korean Conflict.

Funeral services were held for Clair Manatt at St. Patrick's Catholic church Saturday morning, Nov. 3, with Father Mork officiating, and Bramer Funeral Home in charge. Interment was at the Catholic cemetery in Brooklyn.

Casketbearers were Leonard Ross, Maynard Saylor, Ernest Herink, Don Brannian, Sam Belland, and Gene Osborn.

Musical selections were provided by the St. Patrick's Choir, accompanied by Mrs. Dean Gibney.