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THE TRUTH SHALL SET YOU FREE"

golden heart stopped beating, hard working hands were put to rest. God broke our hearts to prove to us He only takes the best."

- excerpt from the Guy funeral mass



At left, Dr. John
Crear and William
"Bob" Bailey were
among the pall
bearers of Guy's
flag-draped coffin
at Tuesday's
funeral.
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Dell Guy's legacy honored

By Nancy Watson Sentinel-Voice

Some 800 Nevadans mourned the death and celebrated the life of former District Court Judge Addeliar D. Guy at the respected leader's funeral Tuesday.

The 73-year-old jurist, who had suffered from respiratory problems, passed away March 20 at a local hospital. He was remembered at the service as a "father figure" who cared about all people and as a judge who was both "tough and fair."

Guy was Nevada's first black District Court judge.

At the funeral, which was held at Holy Family Catholic Church, Gov. Bob Miller said Guy was not only "one of the most admired men in the state's history, he made history."

Others, including state Sen. Joe

Neal, Chief District Court Judge Myron Leavitt and former Gov. Mike O'Callaghan eulogized Guy as a trailblazer, a dedicated family man, a person who gave unselfishly to the community and as "the best judge we ever had in Nevada."

Born November 1, 1923, the son of a police officer and a civic-minded homemaker, Guy joined the Coast Guard in 1942 during World War II. Six years later he joined the U.S. Army where he saw combat duty in Korea. He won a Purple Heart, a Meritorious Award Medal, a Korden Service Medal with two Battle Stars and a Combat Infantryman's Badge.

He graduated from Loyola University School of Law in Chicago in 1957 and served as a civil and criminal defense attorney in Chicago

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Remembering the Judge

"In his lifetime he did as much and experienced as much as you might expect in ten lifetimes."

- Gov. Bob Miller

"He was one-of-a-kind, a real jewel."

Chairwoman Yvonne Atkinson-Gates,
 Clark County Commission

"He acknowledged the dignity of all, but he wasn't preachy."

— District Court Judge Michael Douglas

"Nevada has lost a hero and I have lost a close personal friend."

- U.S. Sen. Harry Reld

"He always tried to do the right thing."

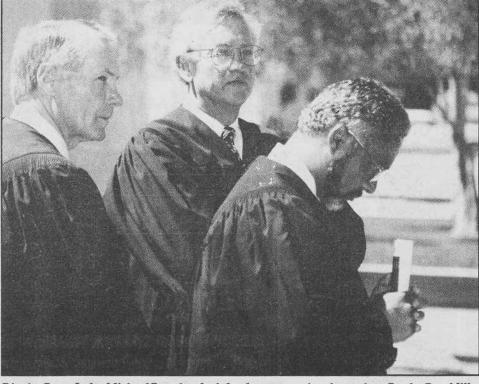
- State Sen. Joe Neal

"He was a man of the people.

They knew he liked them."

— former Gov. Mike O'Callaghan

"I will miss him, his advice and his companionship. The community has lost a great leader and public servant." —Chief District Court Judge Myron Leavitt



District Court Judge Michael Douglas, far left, who was appointed to replace Guy by Gov. Miller last year, takes a moment to reflect before Tuesday's service. Photo by Savoy/LVS-Voice