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THE PRESIDENT HAS SEEN. *df*

THE WHITE HOUSE

WASHINGTON

April 14, 1975

MEMORANDUM FOR THE PRESIDENT

FROM: RON NESSEN

SUBJECT: Bill McGaffin

Bill McGaffin, Deputy Bureau Chief for the Chicago Daily News, died today in Doctors' Hospital after a long bout with cancer. There will be a memorial service on Thursday or Friday. The body will be cremated, no public funeral service is planned.

The wire service story is attached.

*Have Dorothy Downton
talk with me about a contribution
of a letter of condolence.*

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(MCGAFFIN)

WASHINGTON (UPI) -- WILLIAM MCGAFFIN, DEPUTY CHIEF OF THE CHICAGO DAILY NEWS BUREAU IN WASHINGTON, DIED TODAY OF CANCER IN DOCTORS' HOSPITAL. HE WAS 64.

MCGAFFIN, A NATIVE OF NEBRASKA, JOINED THE CHICAGO DAILY NEWS DURING WORLD WAR II AFTER REPORTING IN MOST OF THE MAJOR THEATERS OF WAR FOR THE ASSOCIATED PRESS. HE WAS TRANSFERRED TO WASHINGTON IN 1956 AND SPECIALIZED IN COVERAGE OF THE PENTAGON AND RELATED DEFENSE ACTIVITIES IN CONGRESS.

MCGAFFIN WAS A GRADUATE OF THE UNIVERSITY OF NEBRASKA AND THE COLUMBIA SCHOOL OF JOURNALISM AND JOINED AP IN 1937.

NO PUBLIC FUNERAL SERVICE IS PLANNED. A MEMORIAL SERVICE WILL BE ANNOUNCED LATER.

THE FAMILY, WHICH LIVES IN FALLS CHURCH, VA., REQUESTED NO FLOWERS BUT SAID CONTRIBUTIONS COULD BE MADE TO THE AMERICAN CANCER SOCIETY.

MCGAFFIN IS SURVIVED BY HIS WIFE, JEAN, AND TWO SONS, CHRISTOPHER AND NICKY.

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THE WHITE HOUSE
WASHINGTON

April 15, 1975

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MEMORANDUM FOR: DOROTHY DOWNTON
FROM: JERRY H. JONES

The attached memorandum was returned in the President's outbox with the following notation:

-- Have Dorothy Downton talk with me
about a contribution and a letter of condolence.

Please follow-up with the appropriate action.

Thank you.

cc: Don Rumsfeld
Ron Nessen