

# Robert Kennedy Bust Unveiled as Family Gift to Justice Dept.

Ramsey Clark Recalls How Slain Senator Heeded Call to Service, Proving 'Individual Can Make a Difference'

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WASHINGTON — Thoughts of what might have been pervaded a simple ceremony Saturday as Robert F. Kennedy's family presented the Justice Department with a bronze bust of the slain senator.

Top figures of the Kennedy years gathered in the Justice Department's main courtyard to see the bust unveiled on a mild, rainy day. It was in vivid contrast to the scene eight winters ago when John F. Kennedy was sworn in as President.

Despite the bitter cold of Jan. 20, 1961, the atmosphere in Washington then was alive with the promise of new direction as the newly inaugurated President called on his countrymen to ask themselves what they could do for America.

## Brother Recalled

Two days short of eight years later, Atty. Gen. Ramsey Clark recalled how Kennedy's brother, Robert, had heeded that call. "He proved for all time that the individual can make a difference," Clark said. "We must never forget that."

Kennedy's "true steel was tempered by God's adversity as few before him," Clark said. "It enabled him to make his great contribution."

As the rain beat down steadily, Robert Kennedy's widow, Ethel, and the 5 eldest of their 11 children were obviously moved by Clark's eulogy.

Sen. Edward M. Kennedy (D-Mass.), the last of the Kennedy brothers, presented the bust on behalf of the family.

He said that, under his brother as attorney general, there was recognition that the Justice Department "was not to be a department for prosecution but to be a department truly of justice with all that entails in the sense of correction, compassion and justice."

Edward Kennedy appeared at the ceremony despite a telephoned death threat at his office Friday afternoon. Police were assigned to guard the senator's Virginia home.

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WITH MEMORIES—Mrs. Ethel Kennedy and Sen. Edward M. Kennedy (D-Mass.) stand beside bust of Sen. Robert F. Kennedy unveiled Saturday.

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The two men who served Kennedy as deputy attorney general — Byron R. White, now a Supreme Court justice, and Nicholas D. Katzenbach, who succeeded Kennedy in the top job—were in the audience.

So, too, were Chief Justice Earl Warren, World Bank President Robert S. McNamara, Secretary of Agriculture Orville Freeman and President-elect Nixon's choice as attorney general, John N. Mitchell.

While the formal remarks stressed Robert Kennedy's contribution as attorney general, Clark's closing thought turned to the future, probably revealing what was on the minds of many in the audience as they watched Edward Kennedy.

Robert Kennedy, Clark said, "combined vision and courage and compassion in one spirit . . . We may ask with Shakespeare when shall these three meet again—in thunder, lightning or rain?"

### Washington Stadium Given Kennedy Name

WASHINGTON (AP)—The District of Columbia stadium has been renamed the

Robert F. Kennedy Memorial Stadium, Secretary of the Interior Stewart L. Udall announced Saturday.

The action was taken jointly by the Interior Department, which has jurisdiction over the stadium site, and the D.C. Armory Board, which operates the stadium under a contract with the National Park Service.