

Reputed Mafia Man Is Dead

LEWISTON, N.Y., July 24 (AP)—Stafano Magaddino, once listed by the U.S. Attorney General's office as a member of the national governing body of the Mafia, has died at 82.

Mr. Magaddino had been suffering from heart ailments for several years and was admitted to Mount St. Mary's Hospital here by his family Friday afternoon.

Hospital officials said he died of heart failure about four hours later Friday.

In 1963, Mr. Magaddino was identified in a U.S. Senate hearing as the "irrefutable lord paramount" of organized crime in Buffalo, Niagara Falls and Toronto.

In 1970, the U.S. Attorney General's office released a list of six leading La Cosa Nostra "commission members." Mr. Magaddino's name was among them.

Federal investigators said they believed the commission was the governing body of the Mafia in this country.

Mr. Magaddino was among 10 men arrested in raids in the Niagara Falls area in 1968 and charged with conspiracy and aiding racketeering. Among those arrested with Mr. Magaddino was his son, Peter. The charges were dismissed when the FBI refused to divulge the identity of the informant it used in gathering the information that led to the arrests.

Mr. Magaddino was born Oct. 10, 1891, in Castellamare del Golfo, Trapani, Sicily, and became a U.S. citizen in 1924.