Grieving Father Stays at Home In Hyannis Port

HYANNIS PORT (Mass.) | surprised at his courage and - (AP) — A grieving father, his spirit of resignation." former Ambassador Joseph Kennedy, remained at the Kennedy family compound today.

Flags fly at half-staff over the family's summer homes on Cape Cod.

A policeman or two stand guard in the quiet street along the compound that in-cludes his home as well as those of his two assassinated sons, Sen. Robert Kennedy and President John Kennedy.

The 79 year old senior Kennedy is reported by his companion and niece, Miss Ann Gargan, as "doing well." He told of Robert's death midday by his sole surviving son, Sen. Edward M. Kenne-

dy (D-Mass.).

The matriarch of the Kennedy family, Rose, left for the services in New York.

Richard Cardinal Cushing, Roman Catholic archbishop of Boston and an old friend, was with the elder Kennedy when Edward called from Los Angeles with the news.

The former ambassador to the court of St. James was left speechless by a stroke 6½ years ago.

Cardinal Cushing said reports that the elder Kennedy suffered a heart attack after learning of the new tragedy were false and added: "I am

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"He did not know the meaning of fear, and even where duty was wedded to danger he embraced it." Cardinal Cushing said of Sen. Kennedy.

"Life was an adventure which summoned each man according to his abilities, and for those to whom much was given, much was demand-ed," was the way he de-scribed the assassinated brothers.

In Boston, Gov. John A. Volpe said he would lead the state delegation to the funeral. Department stores announced they will not open until noon Saturday, after the

Paul Counihan, director of the McCarthy-for-president workers in the state, ordered supporters to halt all activity until further notice.

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