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MEMPHIS, Tenn. AP -Neither the family of James Earl Ray nor that of the late Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. has expressed an interest in attending Ray's trial, a spokesman said today.

"We have received no requests from either the family of the defendant or the deceased for seats in the courtroom," said Charles Holmes, who is handling press relations for the trial.

Ray is scheduled to go on trial Nov. 12 for the murder of King who was assassinated by a sniper's bullet last April 4.

Half of the 76 spectator seats in the small courtroom have been set aside for the general public and the remainder for representatives of the press.

No seats will be reserved for the public but it is customary at trials here to give preference to the families involved if they decide to attend.

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