

NEW KENNEDY GRAVE WILL BE READY SOON

WASHINGTON, Oct. 17 (UPI)—The body of President Kennedy will rest in a new grave at Arlington National Cemetery this year by the third anniversary of his assassination on Nov. 22, 1963, an Army spokesman said today.

The spokesman said construction of the gravesite would be virtually completed by that date and the bodies of Mr. Kennedy and two infant children buried beside him will be moved about 40 feet from their present temporary graves.

The reburial will take place at night when the cemetery is closed and no advance announcement will be made.

In his final resting place, Mr. Kennedy will be buried beneath a \$2-million memorial edifice on a hillside overlooking the capital across the Potomac River.

The memorial will contain the eternal flame that now burns over Mr. Kennedy's grave, and the Army is considering a lighting system that would permit night visits to the memorial.

If lighting is installed, the Army spokesman said, it will be "subdued" to avoid distracting from the eternal flame, which is visible a mile away from the Washington side of the river.

Arlington, where tens of thousands of the nation's war dead are buried, has never been opened for night visits. But it is expected that this policy will be changed if lighting is installed at Mr. Kennedy's grave.

Army Engineers Deny Plan To Move Kennedy Body in '66

WASHINGTON, Oct. 18 (AP)

—The Army Corps of Engineers, contradicting other Army sources, said today the body of President Kennedy would not be moved to a new grave until next year.

Previous word was that the coffin would be moved about 40 feet to a new location sometime within five weeks, after dark, in Arlington National Cemetery.

However, the office of the Chief of Engineers said in a statement today:

"The final landscape design proposal for the gravesite area is being developed by the landscape architect. As we have explained, the gravesite will not be completed formally until next spring.

"The transfer of the graves is related to the planting and appropriate hillside grading. No transfer therefore is anticipated this year."