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JOHN SIDNEY GATTI

July 19, 1917 -- December 15, 1962-

The death of John Sidney Gatti, at his home in Shreveport, Louisiana, on December 15, 1962, at age forty-five, marked the passing of a very courageous and successful member of the Shreveport Bar.

His courage was primarily exemplified by the extremely vigorous and active life which he led in spite of the handicap of a heart badly damaged by fever in his early youth. This condition was known to only a few of his friends and associates.

Mr. Gatti was born on July 19, 1917, at Shreveport, Caddo Parish, Louisiana, the son of Hal M. and Hatti Von Allmen Gatti. He attended school in Shreveport, completing his legal education at Centenary College, after which he entered into the active practice of law on August 1, 1945.

Mr. Gatti was a cheerful and optimistic person, always meeting his friends with a happy smile and a warm hand shake. He had a tremendous number of friends of whom he was exceedingly fond and to whom he was always loyal. He was a man of tremendous fortitude and drive. He met and overcame many obstacles during his busy life.

Mr. Gatti specialized in the practice of title and corporation law, and was a member of the firm of Johnson, Morelock, Gatti, Egan and Cook at the time of his death. He was a continuing partner in four successive law partnerships during his career, none of which was dissolved, other than by death of one of the partners.

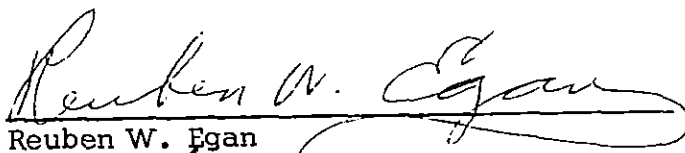
We cannot recite all of his activities in the religious, civic and political affairs of his City, State and Nation. He was always very active in the affairs of his Church, The First Methodist Church of Shreveport, and served for many years as a member of its Board

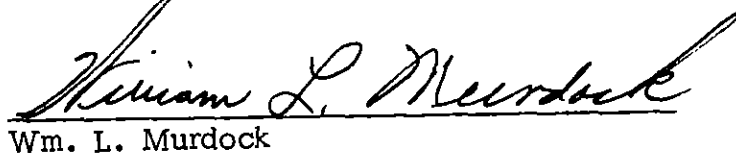
of Stewards. He was very active in several Masonic Bodies, past President of the Board of Directors of the Shreveport Y's Men's Club, a member of the Board of Directors of the International Association of Y's Men's Clubs, and a member of the Board of Management of the Central Branch of the Shreveport Y.M.C.A. He was co-chairman of the Shreveport chapter of the National Conference of Christians and Jews.

Mr. Gatti was married on October 20, 1951, to the daughter of Dr. and Mrs. P. W. Pou of Shreveport, Elizabeth, with whom he resided, along with his two lovely children, Hal and Gwen Gatti, until the date of his death. He is also survived by his father, Mr. Hal M. Gatti, two brothers, and four sisters.

The passing of Mr. Gatti was a great loss to the members of his family, to the members of his firm, as well as this Bar Association and his many friends.

Respectfully submitted,


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