

Nicholas P. Malavasi, Legion Leader, Dies

Nicholas P. Malavasi, of 78 Myrtle Ave., West Brighton, a past county commander of the American Legion, died this morning in St. Vincent's Hospital. He was taken to the hospital last night after becoming ill while attending a veterans' meeting.

Mr. Malavasi, who was 44, was also a past state vice-commander of the American Legion, a past commander of the Legion's second district, comprising the Island and Brooklyn, and a past commander of Joseph F. Merrell Jr. Post, West Brighton, of which he was a founder.

He also served on the state Legion's military affairs committee. He was a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and the Disabled American Veterans.

He was employed as a road roller engineer by the borough president's department. Born in West Brighton, he was a lifelong Island resident.

In World War II, he served 44 months in the Army, including 39 months in the Pacific area, where he was a technical sergeant with the 158th Regimental Combat Team.

Surviving are his wife, Ruth, and a brother, Joseph, and a sister, Mrs. Clara Zarelli, both of 204 DuBois Ave., West Brighton.

The funeral will be Saturday from the Harmon Funeral Home, 571 Forest Ave., West Brighton. A solemn mass will be offered at 10 a. m. in St. Benedicta's R. C. Church, West Brighton.



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