LOCAL HISTORY

Kennedy casket a product of Syracuse

Each week, the Onondaga Historical Association looks back at important events:



Mourners move past JFK's flagcovered casket, made in Syracuse by the Marsellus Casket Co., in the Capitol rotunda on Nov. 24, 1963. (AP file photo)

52 Years Ago: On Nov. 22, 1963, President John F. Kennedy was assassinated in Dallas, Texas, while on a visit as part of an early start to his 1964 re-election campaign. Lyndon B. Johnson was sworn in as the president of the United States aboard Air Force One just a few hours later. The Syracuse community observed all of the events surrounding the assassination, including the burial at Arlington National Cemetery in Virginia, via continuous television coverage. JFK was buried in a casket made by the Marsellus Casket Co. of Syracuse. — Daniel Connors for the OHA

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