

Louis Maspero, 42-Year MTA Veteran, Has Died

(Oct. 9, 2002) He wore a straw boater, spats and loud ties and, with 42 years' service, Louis Maspero was both a much-loved character and MTA's most senior non-represented employee.

Louis Maspero died Oct. 3 at age 65, hardly a month after learning he had developed lung cancer. His official retirement date was Aug. 17.

A retirement party planned in his honor for Sept. 20 was cancelled due to his illness. Co-workers had prepared a commemorative bus stop, photo album and timetable to be presented to him at the party.

"Even though we'll miss him, we still want his family to have the items," said Faith Crudup, an MTA schedule maker and friend.

Employees also may sign a retirement scroll that will be given to Maspero's family. The scroll is located in Risk Management on the 8th floor of Headquarters.

A public liability and property damage analyst in Risk Management, Maspero joined MTA in August 1960. He frequently represented the agency in small claims court.

Maspero, born May 19, 1937, was a proud native of New Orleans. His family has indicated he preferred no formal services. Friends may send sympathy cards in care of his son, Louis Maspero, at 159 East Electric Ave., Monterey Park, CA 91754.

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