

Knopp, fireman who died after crash, to lie in state

The body of Donald Knopp, a city firefighter who died Sunday from injuries he received three weeks ago in a collision between two Fire Department trucks, will lie in state tomorrow at the United Evangelical Lutheran Church in the 900 block South East avenue.

Mr. Knopp, of the 3400 block Teresa court, died at 6 P.M. Sunday at the Maryland Institute for Emergency Medical Services at University Hospital. He was 44. He had been unconscious and in critical condition since entering the hospital March 5 following the accident at Plainfield and Amtana avenues in the Gardenville area of the city.

Mr. Knopp was serving as acting lieutenant of No. 54 Engine Company on the day of the accident. In the early morning of March 5, his company responded to what turned out to be a false alarm at Mayview and LaSalle avenues. The engine he was riding in collided with a hook-and-ladder unit from No. 30 Truck Company. Six other firemen were injured, none seri-

ously.

A Fire Department investigation of the accident is continuing, a department spokesman said.

Mr. Knopp was born in 1935 and joined the Fire Department in September, 1958. He graduated from the Fire Academy, then served with No. 1 Hose Company and No. 2 Engine Company until 1967, when he was transferred to No. 54 Engine Company. He had served as an acting lieutenant since 1959. He was also an acting pump operator/driver and a member of Baltimore Fire Fighters Local 734.

Six Fire Department pallbearers will assemble at 11 A.M. tomorrow at the Ruck funeral establishment, in the 5300 block Harford road, and remove the body to the United church. From 11.45 A.M., the body will lie in state, and at 12.30 P.M., as many as 200 Fire Department honorary pallbearers will enter the church.

A service will be conducted at 1 P.M.

Mr. Knopp is survived by his wife, Viola, and two stepdaughters.

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