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John McKee, former legislator

John H. McKee, 77, a former state representative and senator, died of a heart attack May 4 at his home in Bemidji, Minn. Services were held Saturday in Bemidji.

McKee, a member of the Republican-oriented Conservative caucus, was a member of the House from 1951 to 1954 and then represented the 62nd District in the Senate from 1955 to 1966. His district included Beltrami, Koochiching and Lake of

the Woods counties. McKee was former president of the Bemidji Chamber of Commerce and had owned a funeral home and a summer hotel on Lake Bemidji.

He is survived by his wife, Norma; son John of Minneapolis and daughter Mary Anderson of Wayzata and five grandchildren. His son-in-law, Wendell Anderson, was a former U.S. Senator and governor of Minnesota.

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