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~~Don~~ Fitzmorris of JUE

Memorial Service for
Ken Mueller
Minneapolis
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Paul Jennings - Int. President

✓ Dave Fitzmorris - Sect. Treas

You have heard from the men who have spoken

before me of their colleague, Ken Mueller --- a man
with whom they worked within the labor movement.

Ken Mueller

"Red" Mueller

I speak to you, ~~more than any of them~~, as someone
who was in Ken's debt, who benefitted from his counsel,
his wisdom, his sensible guidance, his unceasing hard
work and support -

So, I think of him in a special way --- as citizen-friend,
as a man who took both words seriously and who invested
them with all the meaning they deserve.

As a citizen, he knew that democracy, in the shop as
in the political process, was no better than the efforts that
each of us made, no better than the degree of participation
that leaders could encourage, no better than our ability
to work together for the general welfare. And so Ken worked

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Ken Mueller
served on
Exec Bd

JUE

Labors note with long history

Primer of his union 100231

always through COPE, through his IUE union, through his political party to see that more people were, indeed, politically educated and activated.

As a friend, Ken had no equal. He knew that friendship often meant giving. And he gave. He gave as few men can or do. He gave of himself, of his time, and spirit and energy.

I can speak of this with some feeling because I don't know of anyone who was helped more than I was. There never was a Humphrey effort in this state which did not find Ken in the forefront. I make a special point of this for one reason only. So often, when a man is elected to high public office, he takes the applause and accolades, he enjoys the glory. Too often in the cheers we forget that all of our success depends on a man like Ken who receives little recognition and less thanks.

and grandchildren

< To Dorothy, his wife, to Dick and Nancy who are here,
 and to Ken Junior who is at work in Connecticut, I say
 simply --- your husband, your father^{+ grand father}, has left all of us a
 legacy that is special --- an example of a life spent to
 better the lot of all people. I hope that we do not simply honor +
mourn a good man today, but that we pledge that each of
 us will perform as he did --- dedicated to the finest
principles of Ken Mueller --- citizen⁺ friend.

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