

# Top political leaders attend Tawes' funeral

CRISFIELD, Md. (AP) — Most of Maryland's top political leaders put aside state business today to journey to Crisfield for the funeral of former Gov. J. Millard Tawes.

Gov. Harry Hughes, who had served in the legislature when Tawes was governor, led the delegation from Annapolis.

Numerous other officials from all three branches of government were present to pay a final tribute to the man who was an important figure in Maryland politics for four decades.

The 85-year-old Tawes, who had been

hospitalized recently with heart problems, died Monday at his Crisfield home.

He is survived by his wife, two children, four grandchildren, two brothers and a sister.

Among the meetings canceled today because of the funeral was a session of the Board of Public Works. It was postponed until Friday so that Hughes, Comptroller Louis L. Goldstein and State Treasurer William S. James could attend the funeral. Tawes was the only person in Maryland history to hold all three board positions—treasurer, comptroller and governor.