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Mother of dirigible pioneer dies in Hollywood at 85

Mrs. Salome Knabenshue, 85-year-old mother of Roy Knabenshue, pioneer dirigible and "lighter than air" pilot, was found dead yesterday in her room at a hotel at 6808 Hollywood boulevard, presumably of a heart ailment.

Mrs. Knabenshue was found by her granddaughter, Salome Knabenshue.

Roy Knabenshue is now connected with the department of the interior in Washington, D.C., according to Miss Knabenshue, who said that the elderly woman was survived by three other sons, Paul, serving with the American consular service in Egypt; Guy, a retired army officer, and Lee, now living in San Gabriel.

Roy Knabenshue attained far flung reputation for his exploits some years back in flying and constructing lighter than air ships.



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