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CIA Employee Found Shot Fatally in Cemetery

James D. Deegan, 43, a Central Intelligence Agency supply clerk, was found shot to death yesterday in Mount Comfort Cemetery, Fairfax County, about a mile from his home at 12 W. Austin ave., Virginia Hills.

Fairfax County Police Chief William L. Durren, said the death was pronounced a suicide. Durren said Deegan apparently had been despondent since the death of his brother, George J. Deegan, who shot himself near the entrance to

Park Lawn Cemetery, Rockville, Oct. 1.

County Medical Examiner Claude Cooper said Deegan had been shot twice in the chest. Police said they found Deegan's gun, a .38-caliber Luger, about 100 feet from the body.

Deegan's wife, Helen, told police she heard her husband leave home about midnight and drive off. Deegan's car was found parked at the cemetery entrance. An empty hol-

ster and a box of bullets were in the car, police said.

A CIA spokesman said Deegan had been employed by the Agency since 1953 in a non-classified position and had worked here and abroad. Deegan served in the Army as a warrant officer from 1941 to 1946, worked for the Federal Security Agency from 1946 to 1951 and for the General Services Administration from 1951 to 1953.

He is survived by his wife and three daughters.

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