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Thousands Crowd Memorial for slain Newsmen Chauncey Bailey

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Chauncey Bailey was the type of journalist who would vaild a nuapaper to a stranger on a bus as an effort to win another reader. But despite his love of newspapers, Bailey would never avoid telling the toughest questions—even when interviewing a politician he personally liked. These were some of the sentiments that were shared Tuesday at a public memorial to Bailey, 51, who was killed in the Oakland Press, Oakland, Calif., fire.

Over 3,000 family and friends attended the funeral of the Oakland Post editor on Wednesday, Aug. 8, 2007. The funeral was held at the St. Benedict Catholic Church in East Oakland. The church pews and the aisles were filled with people, some of whom were wearing black. There was also a statue of Chauncey Bailey, who had been killed in the fire.

In his speech, Oakland Mayor Ron Dellums said, “Chauncey was my friend, and I had the privilege of working with him on many occasions. I will always remember his dedication to his craft and his commitment to fair reporting. He was a true journalist, and he will be missed by all who knew him.”

Bailey’s funeral was attended by hundreds of people, including many members of the Oakland Post staff. Many of them spoke about Bailey’s love of newspapers and his dedication to his craft. They also spoke about how much his death would be missed by the community.

After the funeral, attendees were asked to sign a guest book to express their condolences. Many people wrote messages of support and love for Chauncey Bailey.

In conclusion, it is clear that Chauncey Bailey was a great journalist who will be missed by many. His dedication to his craft and his commitment to fair reporting will be remembered for years to come.

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