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Flash Cab founder Dickholtz

Mass for Arthur Dickholtz, 70, founder of Flash Cab Co. in Chicago, will be said at 11 a.m. Wednesday in St. Mary of the Woods Catholic Church, 7000 N. Moselle Ave.

Mr. Dickholtz died Saturday in his home in Niles.

Mr. Dickholtz, a Chicago native and a former driver for the Yellow and Checker cab companies, began the Veterans Livery Cab company in 1945, when many World War II veterans sought jobs in the industry.

He had served in the Army as an airline mechanic in Britain, and upon his return he tried to break the monopoly on cab licenses held by the two larger companies.

When local authorities did not respond to his request for 275 new licenses, Mr. Dickholtz organized 250 veterans to march on Washington, D.C.

They came away with a federal order for the creation of 1,000 new licenses in Chicago, and the company became established as one of the city's largest independent taxi fleets.

Mr. Dickholtz pioneered the use of two-way radio dispatching in Chicago, and renamed his company the Radio Flash Cab Co. The name was later shortened.

Mr. Dickholtz is survived by his wife, Kathryn; a son, A. Michael; three grandchildren; two brothers; and a sister.