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(Neb.)-Former Creighton coach McManus dies



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OMAHA, Neb. (AP) — Creighton University says former head basketball coach John "Red" McManus has died.

Creighton sports information director Rob Anderson said Wednesday that McManus passed away Tuesday in Omaha at the age of 88. McManus had been under hospice care.

McManus was an assistant at Iowa when he was selected for Creighton's top spot. McManus led the Bluejays to national prominence during his tenure, 1959-1969, and coached them in two NCAA tournaments. Among his top players were two future NBA members, Paul Silas and Bob

Portman.

His career record at Creighton was 138-118.

Creighton athletic director Bruce Rasmussen says McManus "will be remembered as one of the greatest Bluejays of all time."

Services were pending.