The body stays put

LOWELL (AP) — City lawyers have rejected a bid by Jack Kerouac's daughter to move his body to a graveyard where the writer's family is buried.

The city said Jan Kerouac has no legal authority to move her father's body from Lowell's Edson Cemetery to Nashua, N.H.

Kerouac, the "Beat" generation author of *On the Road* and *The Dharma Bums*, died in 1969. He is buried in a plot owned by the family of his third wife, the late Stella Sampas Kerouac.

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Stella Kerouac

Widow of Beat Generation author

LOWELL (AP) — Stella Kerouac, the widow of Beat Generation author Jack Kerouac, died Saturday. She was 71.

The cause of her death was not disclosed. Kerouac was best known for his novel *On The Road*.

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Kerouac was writer's only child

ALBUQUERQUE, N.M. (AP) — Jan Kerouac, a writer and the only child of Beat Generation icon Jack Kerouac, died Wednesday after a long battle with kidney disease. She was 44.

Ms. Kerouac, who met her father only twice — once during a paternity lawsuit filed by her mother when she was 10 — spent her final years promoting his legacy and battling for control of his archives.

In 1994, she sued relatives of Kerouac's last wife, Stella Sampas, who inherited the notebooks, teletype rolls and parchment scrolls on which Kerouac wrote *On the Road* and laid down the first rumblings of post-war alienation that set the tone for the Beat Generation of the 1950s.

Ms. Kerouac contended that the will of her grandmother, Gabrielle Kerouac, which left her son's effects to Sampas, was a forgery. Had she died without a will, the estate would have gone to her two grandchildren, Jan Kerouac and Paul Blake Jr. Kerouac died in 1969.

Ms. Kerouac's first book, *Baby Driver*, published in 1981, dealt with her childhood in New York's lower East Side. A 1988 effort, *Trainsong*, told of her travels and was named for the community in Eugene, Ore., where her mother, Joan Haverty, lived.

At the time of her death, Ms. Kerouac had been working on *Parrot Fever*, about the 1991 death of her mother.