

Jonk, Jeremy

Medical attempts to help end

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# Baby Jeremy dies

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An attempt by doctors to seal off an abnormal blood vessel in the brain of Belleville infant Jeremy Jonk is over.

Hans Jonk, father of the two-week-old Belleville baby, told The Intelligencer this morning that his infant son had died during the night.

Earlier, an attempt by doctors Friday to seal off the blood vessel had left the infant in grave condition, a spokesman at the Hospital for Sick Children said.

"He died at 4 a.m. this morning," said Hans Jonk, tersely from his Sidney Street home.

Jeremy had undergone procedures

to cure his condition by doctors who used a special polymer glue to correct the blood vessel defect.

Dr. Pierre LasJaunas, a world expert who flew from Paris last week to lead the surgical team, completed the second of the delicate two-stage procedure. Without the treatment, Jeremy's chances of survival were less than 10 per cent.

Last Friday, doctors were able to partially correct the problem. But, because Jeremy was so small, the procedure had to be done in two stages.

An attempt Thursday to finish sealing off the blood vessel was called off after 90 minutes because of the danger of keeping the infant under anesthetic for a longer period.

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