An aneurysm is an abnormal bulge or ballooning in the wall of a blood vessel and aneurysm ruptures may lead to sudden death. Aneurysms of the extracranial carotid arteries are uncommon vascular lesions and atherosclerosis is considered a common cause. The rupture of a nontraumatic, uninfected carotid aneurysm is an exceedingly rare event, with only a handful of cases documented in the scientific literature. The present case report is that of the sudden death of a person due to the rupture of a previously undiagnosed carotid aneurysm. The case has been presented considering its rarity.

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