

Fodor, Peter A.

Inseparable Pals Battle Victims On French Soil

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The second of two 18-year-old East Seventh Street soldiers—neighbors and inseparable pals since boyhood and in military camps prior to being abroad to fight for their country—has paid the supreme sacrifice on the battlefields of France.

The tragic sequel to the invasion and announcement of the death of one of the soldiers was embodied in a telegram received from the War Department last night declaring that Rocco J. Guerrieri, son of Mr. and Mrs. Carmen Guerrieri, 2522 East Seventh Street, had died of wounds received in France.

Pvt. Guerrieri and Pvt. Peter A. Fodor, son of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Fodor, 1533 East Seventh Street, whose funeral was held Monday, both entered the service November 16, 1943, received training at the same camps, were home on furlough at the same time and embarked for overseas service at the same time.



ROCCO GUERRIERI
... joins pal in death

Pvt. Guerrieri was wounded July 12, according to a telegram received August 10 from the War Department, and died July 14, according to the telegram received last evening. Pvt. Fodor was wounded July 8 and died aboard a troopship August 10. His body was believed to be the first of the battlefield casualties to be returned to Bethlehem for burial.

The two soldiers attended Washington Junior High School together, spent their boyhood together and entered the service together. They trained for infantry service at Camp Blanding, then moved to Fort Meade. They were granted furloughs together and were sent abroad at the same time—but to separate foreign stations—last May 1.

Pvt. Guerrieri is survived by his parents, two sisters, Magdalena and Pauline, both of Bethlehem, and a brother, Anthony, also of Bethlehem.

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