

Kost, Michael

Marine Wounded



Staff Sergeant Michael Kost, who has been fighting with the U. S. Marine Corps for seven years, was wounded March 10, 1945, for the second time, on Iwo Jima, Volcano Islands. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Kost, 1530 East Second Street, were informed of their son's condition by Major D. Routh, Washington. S/Sgt. Kost was wounded previously on February 19, 1945, and was sent back to duty with Fifth Marine Division after hospitalization.

A graduate of Broughal Junior High School and Bethlehem Technical High School, he was employed by the Bethlehem Steel Company before he enlisted seven years ago. Since going overseas in 1943, Sgt. Kost participated in the battle for Bougainville, Guadalcanal and Tarawa, when he was attached to the Paratroops. After his company disbanded, he was given a 30-day furlough and was sent back to the Pacific, to Iwo Jima with the Fifth Marine Division. At present, he is recuperating in a hospital in the Marianas.

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