

*Groeger, Leonard  
Lawrence*

## Local Soldier Loses Life On Invasion Day

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Another Bethlehem soldier, Pfc. Leonard Groeger, son of Rudolph and Mary (Hafner) Groeger, of 910 Hess Street, was killed in action on June 6, D-Day, according to a telegram from the War Department, received today by his parents. He would have observed his 28th birthday tomorrow.

He was inducted into the armed forces on May 11, 1941, and received his preliminary training at Fort Meade, Md., and at training camps in South Carolina. He was overseas since October 1942.

He graduated from the parochial school of Holy Ghost parish, and before joining the combat forces he was employed as a machinist by



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the Bethlehem Steel Company.

During his service overseas, he kept abreast of the local happenings through the medium of the Bethlehem Globe-Times. About a year ago, while walking through one of the streets of London, he found a copy of the Globe-Times along the thoroughfare.

Besides his parents, he is survived by a brother, Sergeant Lawrence Groeger, member of an Air Corps unit, stationed "somewhere in Australia."

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