

Turick, Peter

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DEATH OF NORTHAMPTON SOLDIER IS CONFIRMED

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Father's Hopes, Based on Misspelled Name in Original Message, Dashed.

Hope that his son, Sergeant Peter Turick, was still alive, was lost by his father, John Turick, 2490 Main Street, Northampton, Tuesday, upon the receipt of a letter from the War Department confirming the boy's death from wounds received in action.

The parent, who had received a telegram from the War Department to the effect that Peter had died at sea November 15 as the result of wounds received in battle, had persistently refused to accept the fact because the name on the wire had been misspelled, it having been given as Thorrick instead of Turick.

The fact that his identification number was missing on the telegram also lent credence to the belief. However, this was all dispelled upon receipt of the wire stating that Peter had been wounded November 9 in action against the Japanese, and that he had been buried following his death at sea on November 15.

Mr. Turick had last heard from his son October 19, at which time he received a post card mailed in Virginia. Sergeant Turick had been home a week previous on a brief leave, and had also spent a furlough with his father earlier in the month.

A veteran of four years of service in the Army, Sergeant Turick had seen service in Virginia, California and Hawaii. Born in Northampton, July 17, 1920, he is the son of John and the late Helen, nee Waluta, Turick.

Most of his boyhood was spent in Kreidersville, where he attended school until 14 years of age. He then took up residence with a brother, Andrew, in Scranton. The latter is now residing in Catasauqua.

There are two other brothers, Michael and William Turick, New York City; three sisters, Mrs. James Miller, 1039 Hamilton Street, Allentown; Mrs. Ann Pakrull, New Jersey, and Mary Turick, Allentown; also a step-sister, Mrs. Charles Mink, and two step-brothers, Michael and Stephen, both in the Army.

Religious services will be held for him by Rev. Vladimir Ulantzky, rector of St. John the Baptist Greek Catholic Church, during high mass at 10 a. m., Sunday in the church, Newport Avenue, Northampton.

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