Hoover, Parke L.

## Sgt. P. L. Hoover Now Listed As Killed in Action

S. Sgt. Parke L. Hoover, son of Mrs. Annie Hoover, of 625 Main Street, Hellertown, who was reported missing in action as of Aug. 19, 1943, has officially been termed dead, according to word received from the War Department.

S. Sgt. Hoover entered the armed forces on April 1, 1942, and graduated from Radio School in Illinois and Gunnery School in Texas, before being sent overseas to Africa in

June, 1943.

He received the Distinguished Flying Cross for his participation in raids on the Ploesti oil fields, and was reported missing when his plane was shot down by the enemy into the Tyrrhenian Sea. Although a search was made, no survivors were found.

In addition to his mother, he is survived by the following brothers and sisters, all of Hellertown: Marvin Hoover, Kenneth Hoover, Mrs. Grace Ruch and Mrs. Annette Dull. His maternal grandmother, Mrs. Amelia Nicholas, of Hellertown, also survives.