

Hower, Justin J.

**DANIELSVILLE YOUTH
MISSING IN ACTION**

8-12-1942
**Lieut. Justin J. Hower Reported
Aboard Ill-Fated Langley.**

The death of Second Lieut. Justin J. Hower, 24, of Danielsville, Northampton county, was officially announced last night from the War Department in Washington, D. C.

Lieut. Hower was aboard the aircraft tender Langley, which was sunk in the South Pacific several months ago. Included in the list were the names of 31 officers and 12 enlisted men.

The last communication received by his mother, Mrs. Lillian V. Hower of Main Street, Danielsville, was on April 6 of this year.

The letter was dated February and was mailed from Australia.

He told his mother he liked Australia and the people there, and that he was very fond of his job.

Lieutenant Hower signed up as an aviation cadet at the Allentown recruiting office of the U. S. Army on St. Patrick's Day of 1941 and trained at Gunter Field, Montgomery, Ala. He completed his preliminary training at Clerk Field, Selma, Ala., and received his wings and his commission on Oct. 31 of last year.

After being commissioned he was ordered to duty at Mitchel Field, N. Y., and later assigned to duty in Hawaii.

Lieutenant Hower was a native of Danielsville, attended the public schools of that place and then grad-

uated from Slatington High School. He entered Muhlenberg College and after two years there transferred to Pennsylvania State College to take a forestry course. He was graduated from State College with a bachelor of science degree in 1939.

Besides his mother, there are three brothers and a sister, Meade M. Hower at home, John F. Hower of Cleveland, Allen A. Hower of Allentown and Edith A. Hower at home.

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