

Dougherty, John L.

Lt. Dougherty War Victim Over Europe

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First Lieutenant John L. Dougherty, U. S. Air Corps, husband of Nora T. (Byrnes) Dougherty, of 3726 Twelfth Street, N. E., Washington, D. C., and a son of Mrs. Rose Dougherty, of 328 East Fourth Street, was killed in action, according to information embodied in a telegram received yesterday from the War Department through the



LT. JOHN L. DOUGHERTY

channels of the International Red Cross.

Lieutenant Dougherty participated in more than 18 bombing missions over Germany, and following the raid of January 11, he was listed among those reported missing. He was awarded the air medal after he completed his fifth bombing mission.

He was a graduate of Bethlehem Catholic High School, Class of '35, and a graduate of Catholic University, Washington, D. C., Class of '41.

Following his induction in August, 1941, he was sent to Camp Lee, where he received his preliminary training. He subsequently transferred to the Air Corps, and was assigned to a unit at Maxwell Field, Alabama, where he received his basic training. He was later sent to Santa Ana, Calif., where he completed the prescribed course at

a bombardier school.

He received his wings at Williams Field, Chandler, Arizona, on January 2, 1942, and was then sent to a U. S. Air Corps School at Hondo, Texas, graduating as a navigator on May 2, 1942.

Following his graduation he was transferred to Grand Island, Nebraska, and in August of last year he was sent overseas.

According to information received by his wife, one of the Flying Fortresses of which he was a crew member, was named "Nora" in her honor. One one of the missions the plane encountered stiff opposition, and despite the fact that it was damaged considerably, the Fortress was safely landed on friendly soil but was taken out of commission.

One of the missions in which he participated was the raid over Schweinfurst, when thousands of tons of bombs fell on that German industrial center.

He is survived by his wife Nora, and infant daughter Nora, Washington, D. C., his mother, two brothers, Rev. James S. Dougherty, of St. Barnabas parish, Philadelphia; Joseph, of Bethlehem; and two sisters, Mrs. James Culligan, of Bethlehem, and Miss Mary Dougherty, at home.

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