

Genther Jr., Peter F.

Macungie Dead Hero's Parents Given Awards

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OLMSTED FIELD, Pa.—Mr. and Mrs. Peter F. Genther and their son, Richard Dale, R. D. 1, Macungie, received the Distinguished Flying Cross and Air Medal posthumously awarded to the Genther's son, 1st Lieutenant Peter F. Genther, Jr. The presentation was made recently by Major James O. Lien of Olmsted Field.

The citation accompanying the DFC read in part: "For extraordinary achievement while participating in operational flights totaling more than 300 hours in unarmed, heavily-loaded transport airplanes, during which exposures to enemy fire was probable and expected."

Accompanying the Air Medal was the following citation: "For meritorious achievement as pilot from 19 June 1945 to 7 August 1945, while participating in operational flights totaling more than one hundred fifty hours. During the periods indicated, he completed flights over the mountainous terrain of China carrying troops, engineering equipment, ammunition and other supplies to the front lines."

Prior to entering the service, Lt. Genther was a student in journalism at Michigan State College.

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