

Mackey, John F.

LT. J. L. MACKEY  
DIED ON APRIL 2

JUN 2 1943

Listed by German Government  
Through Red Cross—Missing  
Since February.

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Mackey, 633 Seventh Avenue, received word today that their son, First Lieut. John L. Mackey, who was reported missing in action, is dead. Word from the adjutant general's office in Washington stated that Lieut. Mackey, who was reported missing since February 15, had died April 2 in the European area.



LIEUT JOHN L. MACKEY

The information was relayed to the United States from the German government through the International Red Cross. The telegram received by Mr. and Mrs. Mackey, signed by the Secretary of War, stated that a letter of explanation would follow.

On May 14, the War Department announced that Lieut. Mackey had been awarded an air medal for valor and exceptional performance in action against the enemy. He had previously been listed as missing.

The young man was graduated from Liberty High School and Moravian College for Men, where he was a varsity basketball player. He enlisted in the U. S. Army Air Corps in July, 1941, and was graduated as a navigator at Kelly Field, Texas, July 25, 1942, receiving a commission as second lieutenant. Later, he was advanced to first lieutenant and late September or early October, 1942, was sent to England.

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