

Dest Jr., Stephen
Philip
Frank

Nazareth R. D. Soldier Listed Killed in Action

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Word was received by Stephen Dest, Nazareth, R. F. D. No. 1, from the War Department at Washington, D. C., announcing the death in action of his son, Corporal Stephen Dest, Jr., June 29, 1944, in the European area. Previously to this time he had been reported as "missing in action."

Dest was 21 years old and had been in the service two years, with one year overseas duty. He served in a field artillery observation battalion. He was formerly in the employ of the Bethlehem Steel Company.

Corporal Dest has two brothers serving the armed forces. Corporal Philip Dest, 24 years old, serves in an armored tank division of the 1st

Army in Belgium. He has been in the service three years, two of which are overseas duty. He also worked at the Steel Company prior to entering the service.

S2c. Frank Dest, 19 years old, has been serving in the U. S. Navy for one year, receiving his training at Bainbridge, Md., and is now at Vero Beach, Fla. He worked on his father's farm prior to induction.

The brothers' mother died two years ago.

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