Sgt. Carl Frack, Northampton High Grad, Dies

Gramer, Robert

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Sgt. Carl William Frack, a graduate of Northampton High School and a native of Petersville, has been killed in action, according to a telegram received by his father, Robert G. Frack, 732½ North Ninth Street, Allentown.

Sgt. Frack was a ball turret gunner on a B-24 Liberator bomber. He arrived overseas about a month ago and was killed on June 8 during raids on the continent the day after D-Day.

Sgt. Frack graduated from Northampton High School with the class of 1941 and had been employed by the Mack Motor Company prior to entering the service. He was a member of Zion Stone Church, Kreidersville, and the Sons of Veterans, Northampton.

Inducted on April 1, 1943, Frack received preliminary training at Miami Beach, Fla., and later was transferred to flying fields in different sections of the United States. Prior to leaving for England he had been stationed in Pueblo, Colo.

In a letter to his father, written on June 7, a day after the invasion of France, Sergeant Frack wrote, "I wish this war was over so that I could be a civilian again. With what happened yesterday and if it goes good, I'll be home again soon. This war can't last very long now...I am well and happy as usual, but am suffering from a lack of sleep."

Frack was fond of outdoor sports, particularly horseback riding, swimming and hiking.

He has two brothers and a foster-brother serving in the armed forces. They are Private First Class Marvin S. Frack, an MP at Newport News, Va.; Fireman Second Class Willard G. Frack, with the Navy at sea, and Corporal Robert Kramer, stationed in England. Another brother, David D. Frack, at home, and his father survive. His mother is deceased.

The father is a veteran of World War I.