

Shields, Cornelius P.

Lt. C. P. Shields, Army Pilot, Reported Dead

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Death of First Lieut. Cornelius P. Shields, U. S. Air Corps, husband of the former Miss Frances J. Conahan, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. F. J. Conahan, 114 West Fourth Street, and a son of Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Shields, 1016 Delaware Avenue, was confirmed today in a War Department telegram received by his wife.

A pilot on a B-17 bomber, he was based at Foggia, Italy, a member of the 15th Air Force, and was reported missing on February 27, 1945, while on a mission over Augsburg, Germany.

He enlisted in the Air Corps in October, 1942 and following his pre-flight training was commissioned on March 12, 1944, receiving his wings



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at Columbus Air Field, Miss. He was subsequently transferred to Hendricks Field, Fla., for advanced tactical training and in October, 1944, he went overseas. He was advanced in rank while on foreign soil. His first mission was on November 19 when his Fortress squadron attacked the railroad bridge at Ferrara, Italy.

He was awarded the Air Medal for "meritorious achievement in aerial flight against the enemy."

A graduate of Bethlehem Catholic High School with the class of '37, he is survived by his wife, his parents, a brother, Charles, U. S. Army, stationed at Augsburg, Germany, and a sister, Rosemary Shields, at home.

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