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NORTHAMPTON SAILOR LOST IN LINE OF DUTY

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**John Sandova, 34, of Merchant
Marine, Probably Died When
Ship Was Sunk.**

John Sandova, Northampton, member of the Merchant Marine, lost his life in line of duty, according to a telegram from Vice Admiral R. R. Waesche, commandant of the U. S. Coast Guard, received Friday by his mother, Mrs. Mary Sandova, 1431 Doris Street, Northampton.

Sinking of the ship on which Sandova was serving evidently took place while in convoy on the high seas. A few days prior to receipt of the telegram, Mrs. Sandova had received a letter from the War Shipping Administration, stating that he was missing in action.

Sandova, aged 34 years, and unmarried, was born in the Ukraine, and was brought to America at the age of one year and lived practically all his life in Northampton.

Prior to joining the Merchant Marine, he served four years in the Navy and three years in the Army, the latter enlistment having been served in Hawaii. Before induction he was employed by the Lawrence Portland Cement Co.

A member of Blessed Virgin Ukrainian Orthodox Church, Northampton, he is survived by his mother, Mary Sandova, and four brothers, Stephen, Seattle, Wash.; Peter, Tennessee, both in the armed forces, and Joseph, Hokendauqua, and Charles, New York City.

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