

PFC. WILLIAM F. KROPF

## Okinawa Battle MAY 28 1945 Casualty

Mrs. Frances Kropf, who resides with her son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Kropf, 745 East Fairview Street, has received a telegram from the War Department informing her that her son, Pfc. William F. Kropf, 20, was killed in action at Okinawa on May 15. Previously she had received a message from the same source that Pvt. Kropf had been wounded on Okinawa April 13, 1945.

Pfc. Kropf was a son of Mrs. Frances Halle an Kropf and the late Charles Kropf. He was confirmed a member of St. Peter's Lutheran Church by Dr. Corson C. Snyder.

He was educated in the Bethlehem public schools, enlisted in the U. S. Marine Corps on April 16, 1942, and received his boot training at Parris Island. He was sent overseas on November 19, 1943. He saw action at Saipan and Okinawa.

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Surviving are his mother and the following brothers and sisters: Charles, Jr., and Edward, of Bethlehem, and Pfc. Walter, with the U. S. Army in Germany; Mrs. Rose Tompkeys, Mt. Pocono; Mrs. George Bloom, Clark Township, N. J.; Mrs. Robert Moffitt, of Bethlehem; Mary, residing with her brother, Edward Kropf, and Anna, in Germany.

A memorial service will be held for Pfc. Kropf in connection with the service in St. Peter's Lutheran Church on Sunday, June 10, at 10:45 o'clock.