

Long, Harold M.

Seaman Long Back After Taking Part In Sicily Invasion

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Harold M. Long, seaman second class, is home visiting with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William T. Long of 222 Green Street, Freemansburg, after participating in the invasion of Sicily.

Seaman Long was a signalman and gunner on a small landing barge in the first wave to hit the Sicilian beach. Three other sailors also were in the barge and the group spent two days and two nights on the beach of Sicily. They saw considerable action on their second



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night ashore and Long suffered small shrapnel wounds on the hand.

He enlisted in the Navy on Dec. 13, 1942 at Allentown and took his boot training at Bainbridge, Md., following which he trained at Little Creek, Va., and Solomons, Md. He then received training on a transport ship and went across on June 8 to North Africa.

He attended the Freemansburg school and was employed at the Bethlehem Steel Co. before enlisting. He is now on a 30-day leave which he is spending visiting his parents.

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