

CPL. RICHARD EITING DIES OF WOUNDS SUSTAINED IN FRANCE



Cpl. Richard Eiting, 24, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Eiting, prominent Washington township residents, living on U. S. highway No. 27 just beyond the west edge of the city, died in an army hospital in France on October 17, of wounds received in action on October 15.

The telegram from the war department was received by the parents late Saturday afternoon and was the first word they had received following the notification that their son had been wounded. No details as to burial were given the message stating that a letter would follow.

Cpl. Eiting, who was with the 80th division and attached to a signal corps, entered the army on July 15, 1942. He took basic training at Camp Forrest, Tenn., and special training at Camp Phillips, Kan, Yuma, Ariz., and Camp Dix, N. J. He went overseas last June and landed in Scotland, and went to the front in France in July.

While home last May he was married to Miss Louise Bir, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bir, 1642 Short street, Fort Wayne. Mrs. Eiting is a registered nurse employed in Fort Wayne.

Cpl. Eiting was born in Washington township, August 23, 1920. He attended the Catholic schools and was graduated from the Decatur Catholic high school in 1938. He was employed in this city in local clothing stores, prior to his entering the army, his latest place of employment being with the Cal E. Peterson store.

Besides the parents and his wife, he is survived by two brothers and two sisters, Sgt. Robert Eiting, with an ordinance company in France; Ensign Margaret Eiting, a navy nurse stationed at Oakland, Cal.; Bernard Eiting of Bluffton, and Sister M. Virginita of the Sisters of St. Agnes, a teacher in the Bronx, New York City.