

6 Catholics Make Supreme Sacrifice, 15 Wounded, 2 Missing in War Areas

By Mary Carey

Six Catholic servicemen gave their lives, fifteen were wounded in action and two are listed missing, casualty reports this week state.

Father of three children, Pfc. Douglas J. Mousa, 26, was killed in action Feb. 23 on Iwo Jima.



D. J. Mousa

the War Department has informed his wife, Mrs. Elizabeth Brown Mousa of East Rochester.

Private Mousa, a member of the Fourth Marine Division, entered service last May and had been overseas since November. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. James Mousa of East Rochester.

Surviving besides his wife and parents and children, Ellen, 2, John, 4 and Douglas, 7, are a brother, S/Mgt. Alvin J. Mousa, AAF, in the Pacific, and a grand mother, Mrs. Della Strong, Rochester.

Pvt. Charles R. Ricotta, 27, husband of Mrs. Josephine Bete Ricotta, 60 Lowell St., and son of Joseph Ricotta of Brooklyn, formerly of Rochester, was killed in action Feb. 5 in Germany.

A member of the glider infantry, Private Ricotta had been wounded twice since going overseas last

June. He entered service two years ago in December while a parishioner of St. Bridget's Church.

Other survivors are two brothers, Lt. Samuel J. Ricotta, in Italy, and Anthony Ricotta of Rochester, and three sisters, Mrs. Angelo Coppola, Avon and Mrs. Mae Barone and Miss Irene Ricotta of Brooklyn.

Requiem Mass for Corporal Robert F. Noda, 19-year-old Marine who was killed in action Feb. 21 on Iwo Jima, was offered in St. Basil's Church Thursday morning. (Age, 19, 1925).



R. F. Noda

Son of Mr. and Mrs. Leo G. Noda, 606 South Ave., Corporal Noda enlisted in the service on Jan. 27, 1943. Following training at Parris Island and Camp Pendleton, he went overseas in January, 1944 and fought in the invasions of the Marshall Islands, Saipan and Iwo Jima. He was a former pupil of St. Boniface school.

Also surviving are a brother, Martin, two sister, Helen and Anne and a grandmother, Mrs. Joseph Fagan of West Henrietta.

Overseas less than a month, Pvt. Earl J. Bogart of St. Andrew's parish, 28, was killed in action Mar. 17 in Germany, according to word reaching his wife, Mrs. Margaret Bogart, 28 Dorris Rd.

Private Bogart, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Albert L. Bogart of the Dorris Road address, enlisted in August, 1943

in the Air Forces Ground Crew. Transferred to the Infantry in October, 1944, he went overseas in February. He leaves a daughter, Jackie, 9 months.

1st Lt. Louis J. Bonish, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bonish, 777 Long Pond Rd., was killed in action Oct. 14 over Northern China while taking part in a bombing mission as engineer on a Superfortress. He was previously listed missing.



L. J. Bonish

Lt. Bonish, whose wife, Mrs. Elizabeth Crowley Bonish lives at 24 Broadway St., was a member of Our Mother of Sorrows parish. Formerly a member of an anti-aircraft unit, he left Rochester in February, 1941. He went overseas a year ago as a member of the Army Air forces and earned the Air Medal for action over there.

Besides his wife and parents, he leaves a sister, Mrs. Robert Wagoner.

Pfc. Robert E. Wagoner, 26, an Aquinas graduate, and Maj. 19 of wounds received in action in Germany, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Wagoner, 38 Coldwater Rd., have learned

A member of a Seventh Army Infantry unit, Private Wagoner had been in service five years and overseas for two years.

Surviving besides his parents is a brother, Pfc. Richard Wagoner, serving with the Air Corps in England.

Pfc. Frank E. Ange of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel parish, was wounded in action Mar. 2 in Germany. His parents, Mr. and Mrs. Peter Ange, 27 Madison St., have learned the news.

Surviving are a brother, Pfc. Joseph Ange, 27 Madison St., and a sister, Mrs. Joseph Ange, 27 Madison St., both of whom are serving in England.

trained as a member of an anti-aircraft unit before being sent overseas in January with the Infantry. Two brothers in service. (Continued on 6 A)

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