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Richard Ward Missing Since Nov. 8 Somewhere in Germany

A telegram was received Sunday by Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Ward of Radnor that their son, Pvt. Richard Ward, is missing in Germany. Pvt. Ward is a graduate of the Delphi high school in the class of 1943.

He entered the service November 17, 1943 and was home last April, leaving for overseas in June. First in England, he was sent to France in September and moved through the St. Lo area into Luxemburg, then into Belgium and into Germany about Oct. 10th.

He has two sisters Juanita and Rozella.

The telegram stated he had been missing since November 8th.



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RECEIVES PURPLE HEART

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Ward of Radnor have received the Purple Heart, awarded posthumously to their son, Pvt. Richard L. Ward. Pvt. Ward was killed in Germany, November 8, 1944.

Contributed by Lena Harper

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Memorial services will be held at the Radnor Methodist Church next Sunday morning, November eleventh, at 11 o'clock for Pvt. Richard Ward, son of Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Ward. Pvt. Ward, a graduate of Delphi high school in the class of 1943, entered the service in November, 1943 and was killed in action in Germany November 8, 1944.

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ROUTE NUMBER FOUR DELPHI IND

I AM DEEPLY DISTRESSED TO INFORM YOU CORRECTED REPORT JUST RECEIVED STATES YOUR SON PRIVATE RICHARD L WARD WHO WAS PREVIOUSLY REPORTED MISSING IN ACTION HAS KILLED IN ACTION ON EIGHT NOVEMBER NINETEEN HUNDRED FORTY FOUR IN GERMANY PERIOD THE SECRETARY OF WAR ASKS THAT I EXPRESS HIS DEEP SYMPATHY IN YOUR LOSS AND HIS REGRET THAT UNAVOIDABLE CIRCUMSTANCES MADE NECESSARY THE UNUSUAL LAPSE OF TIME IN REPORTING YOUR SONS DEATH TO YOU CONFIRMING LETTER FOLLOWS=

A ULIO THE ADJUTANT GENERAL.

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