

Complete details are being furnished you in a letter written by the Commanding Officer of the organization of which the deceased was a member.

In the event you have not yet received this letter you may look forward to receiving same within the near future.

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HEADQUARTERS 32d INFANTRY DIVISION  
Office of Division Chaplain,  
A.P.O. 32, c/o Postmaster  
San Francisco, California

15 January 1945.

Mrs. Alice Bottcher  
239 Ramsdel Street  
San Francisco, California

Dear Mrs. Bottcher:

The official notification you received of your nephew's death, brought the war very close and personal to you. I wish I might talk to you personally, but since that is impossible kindly accept this letter as my expression of sincerest sympathy.

In hours of sorrow, our Lord and Savior speaks to us and says, "Come unto Me all ye who labor and are heavy laden and I will give you rest. We also have that blessed Word, "The Lord gave and the Lord taketh away; Blessed be the name of the Lord." The Apostle Paul has written these words of comfort, "We weep not as those who have no hope." He knew the promise of the Risen Savior, "I am the Resurrection and the Life."

Herman was killed by grenade shrapnel while on a reconnaissance patrol near Agayayan, Leyte, Philippine Islands, December 31, 1944. He received a Christian and military funeral and was laid to rest in the American Cemetery at Limon. He was an excellent officer as attested by the fact that he received the Distinguished Service Cross with Oak Leaf Cluster and the Silver Star with Cluster. His men thought the world of him and will miss him greatly.

You have every right to be proud of him. He died in the service of his country defending the liberties we hold so dear.

I pray for you God's richest blessing. All glory and honor to Him Who come that we might live eternally.

Sincerely,

*Sigvard M. Tweten*  
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Division Chaplain.