

G.E. Galloway, Naval Aviator, Declared Dead



GORDON GALLOWAY

Gordon E. Galloway, aviation machinist's mate, 2/c, son of Mrs. Cora R. Galloway, 1253 Washington avenue, missing in action in the Pacific theater since October 25, 1944, has been declared officially dead by the navy department.

The youth's mother received that sad news in a personal letter from James Forrestal, secretary of the navy. In the letter, Mr. Forrestal said:

"Your son, Gordon, has been carried on the official records of the navy department as missing in action as of October 25, 1944, when the plane in which he was flying, a unit of Composite Squadron Three, was lost due to enemy action in the vicinity of Leyte Gulf, Philippine islands.

Based On Carrier

"Your son was based aboard the USS Kalman Bay, which was one of the six escort carriers supporting the American invasion operations at Leyte. The Kalman Bay was brought under fire of Japanese surface ships consisting of battleships, cruisers and destroyers which had come through San Bernardo Strait during the night of October 24, 1944. After contact was made a two and one-half hour running en-

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