

**NAME:** Jack

**RANK:** Technician Fourth Grade

**ORGANIZATION:** Corps of Engineers

**OVERSEAS WARTIME SERVICE:** China-Burma-India Theater of Operations

- The following text is directly from an original wartime letter written by Jack and an original wartime telegram about Jack. These are two of several documents related to Jack in the site curator's possession and more will be transcribed in the future.
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**Jack writes his fiance in the United States:**

“MAR. 31, 1944

Somewhere in Burma.

Hello darling, how are you to-day. Hope you all are well there.

No mail from you for five days now. They say some of our mail was lost or destroyed on the way here. May be it is only a rumor. Lets hope so any way.

They have been taking pretty good care of the mail so far. Any way darling if you have ask me any thing in your letters before this date you had better write the same thing over.

So far this week I think we have had mail call three times. When they didn't have it last night, the rumors started. This is a great place for rumors.

Every thing here dear is about the same, still in the same place. I am feeling fine, so honey dont worry.

I haven't much to write about, always can write more if I have a letter or letters from you. I write to my mother almost every day and write to you every day so far

I know these V letters don't have much in them please excuse them. I know darling you won't mind if I write one once in awhile. I love you dear and I miss you, miss your letters too. Hope I get some to-night

Remember me to all there. Lots of love and kisses to you dear.

Love to all

Jack.”

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**The War Department sends a telegram to Jack's mother in the United States:**

“WASHINGTON DC XXX XX

THE SECRETARY OF WAR DESIRES ME TO EXPRESS HIS DEEP REGRET THAT YOUR SON  
WAS KILLED IN ACTION ON XX XXX IN NORTH BURMA

LETTER FOLLOWS=

ULIO THE ADJUTANT GENERAL.”

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- Jack was killed in action in the Second World War.
- **For visual context, this link connects to an original wartime newsreel in the public domain that covers the above time period and Jack's organization (viewer discretion advised):**  
<https://archive.org/details/ARC-39019>
- **For additional detail, this link connects to the Wikipedia article that covers the Burma Campaign (reader discretion advised):** [https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Burma\\_Campaign](https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Burma_Campaign)