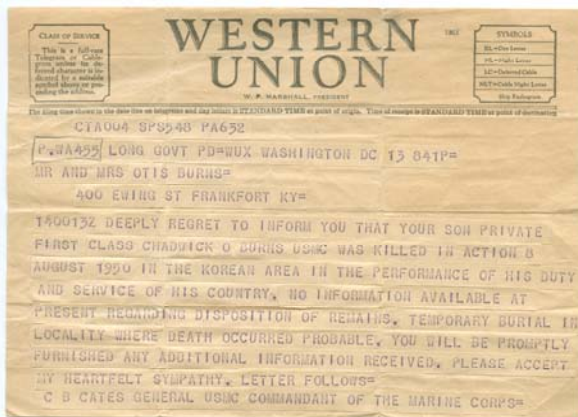


Telegram, Chadwick Burns's Death in Korea, 1950



This Western Union telegram informed the parents of Chad Burns that their son had been killed in action in Korea. Unlike the Hollywood portrayal of the military chaplain bringing bad news to the family, many parents and spouses simply received telegrams like this one.

Donated by Viola Burns, 1991.164.24

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