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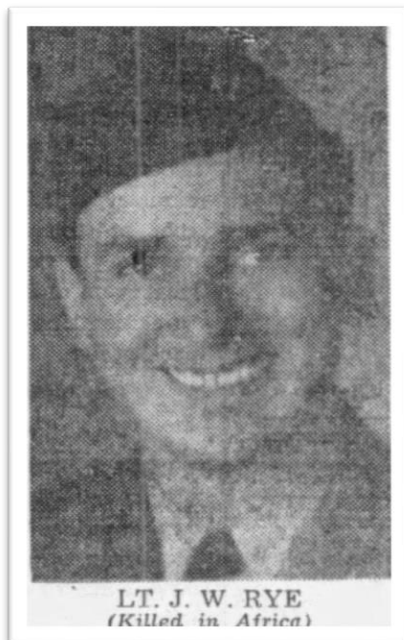
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LT. J. W. RYE
(Killed in Africa)

J. W. Rye Killed In North Africa Plane Crash

Lieutenant Paid Tribute in Memorial Service at Porterdale.

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PORTERDALE, Feb. 21.—Porterdale was deeply saddened last week by the news of the death of Lieutenant J. W. Rye in a plane crash in North Africa on January 21.

Memorial services were held for Lieutenant Rye in the Porterdale Presbyterian church, of which he was a member, this afternoon, exactly one month from the day he was killed.

Lieutenant Rye was born July 4, 1913. He finished the Porterdale Junior High school in 1929 with highest honors, and was graduated at Covington High school in 1931. For two years he went to Middle Georgia College at Cochran and received his diploma from the University of Georgia in 1935.

After graduating from the university, Lieutenant Rye was connected with the Central of Georgia Railroad in Porterdale. He later joined the staff of the Illinois Central Railroad in Atlanta.

In 1941 he joined the 179th Field Artillery, Atlanta National Guard unit. He trained at Camp Blanding, Fla., for a year and was then sent to Camp Shelby, Miss., where he was promoted to staff sergeant. On June 15, 1942, he received an appointment to field artillery school at Ft. Sill, Okla., and graduated from the officers training school there with the rank of second lieutenant.

Lieutenant Rye went overseas in October. His parents received the news of his death on February 13. He is survived by his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. L. (Bud) Rye, and three sisters, Misses Christine, Mary and Joyce Rye, all of Porter-

Buried in Liberty Cemetery, Porterdale, Georgia