

Jersey Officer is Killed in Fighting at Cassino, where he was Born

Lieut. Basil Antonelli had Visited Grandmother
in his Native City Day before he Died

An Army lieutenant has given his life, fighting against the Germans in the city of his birth.

First Lieutenant Basil Antonelli, 28, of Downstown, near Vineland, N. J., who came to this country at an early age, fought his way through the North African campaign, and through the Salerno beachhead.

Finally, on February 5, he had reached the outskirts of Cassino, the place of his birth, and visited his grandmother, who lives nearby. He wrote a letter home then, telling his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Angelo Antonelli, about the visit to his grandmother.

The next day, his parents have been informed, fighting with a tank destroyer outfit in Cassino, he was killed in action, just 15 months after he had been wounded and received the Purple Heart in North Africa.