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An exact date is not known for this letter. The year listed is an estimation and may not be accurate.
Platoon Sergeant George V. Tudor, formerly employed at our warehouse in Chicago, was a member of the Marine Corps for thirty months when he met his death on July 22, 1944 in the invasion of Guam. Of this two and a half years of service all but four months were spent overseas.

This excerpt is from a letter sent by George’s commanding officer: “His death was caused by a hand grenade while he was courageously exposing himself to enemy fire in an effort to effectively direct the fire of his machine gun platoon against an enemy counter-attack. His devotion to duty in utter disregard of his own personal safety merits his recognition far beyond my own power. George is being recommended for a suitable award for his valiant efforts in the service of his country.”

George has already been awarded the Purple Heart posthumously. His unit also received a Presidential Citation for their meritorious service in the Marshalls campaign. George saw action at Eniwetok, Paty, Kwajlein and Saipan before his final battle at Guam.

We share this great loss with his sister, Mrs. Lavery (his only living relative).