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IN MEMORIAM

Ralph Robert Nix

Nephew of JAMES T. NIX, M.D., K.S.G., killed in action

Ralph Robert Nix, Passed Assistant Surgeon, United States Public Health Service, received his early training in the Jesuit High School of New Orleans, at Loyola University and after that at Louisiana State University where he was President of the Newman Club and prominent in extra-curricular activities. While president of the Newman Club he served Holy Mass at their monthly meetings. Immediately following the outbreak of the war he volunteered for military service. He was placed in the Coast Guard and assigned to a hospital in Mobile. He insisted on sea duty where he could actively be of assistance to the boys who received war injuries from any cause, sick boys who were enemies or allies. His work was one of mercy. While on active duty at sea because of his excellent service he was given a citation for merit which he would have received on his next trip back to the United States. At

the time of his death he was the first doctor from the State of Louisiana to have lost his life in the present war and the first from the United States Coast Guard. His rank was posthumously raised to Passed Assistant Surgeon which is equal to the rank of Captain. Ralph Robert Nix was the son of the late Colonel Ralph Robert Nix of New Orleans. He is survived by his mother, his wife and ten-months-old son, as well as by five sisters.

He attended the meetings and the annual Communion services of the New Orleans Catholic Physicians' Guild, and, although still young in years, he was a devout Catholic and a fearless and militant Christian—a true soldier of God and country. May his example act as an inspiration to other young Catholic physicians, and may he forever enjoy the fruits of his labors in the great heavenly Kingdom.

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