## **Sgt. Francis T Splechter**

## Plan Rites for Eagle Veteran

The body of S/Sgt. Francis J. Splechter, who was killed in action Oct. 17, 1944 in western Germany, will arrive at Eagle from division headquarters in Chicago at 6:42 p.m. tomorrow. It will be accompanied by Sgt. Rudoso Francisie.

Military funeral services will be held at 9 a.m. at St. Theresa's church Wednesday under the direction of the Thomas-Holcomb Post No. 304, Palmyra.

Splechter was born in the town of Ottawa Jan. 31, 1918 and came with his family to the town of Eagle in 1936. Only July 26, 1941, he entered military service as a member of the 9th army, 60th infantry. Served in Belgium, Germany

After regular training in the United States, he was sent to the European theater, where he saw service in Belgium and Germany. He was wounded early in the summer of 1944 and later returned to line of duty. After his death in October, 1944, he was buried in the American cemetery in Belgium and awarded the purple heart posthumously.

Surviving are his father and stepmother, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Splechter, Eagle; two sister, Agnes, a nurse at the Watertown hospital; Mrs. Calvin J. Shult, Oconomowoc; and one niece and one nephew.

Friends may call at Mealy's funeral home in Eagle from Tuesday evening until the time of the service. Burial will be in St. Bruno's cemetery, Dousman.



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