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Mrs. Peggy Evelyn Ott  
205A West Acacia  
Glendale, 4, Calif.

Dear Mrs. Ott:

The Bureau has the honor to inform you of the Award of the Purple Heart and certificate to your late husband, Theodore Gene Ott, Yeoman First Class, United States Navy, in accordance with General Order 186 of January 21, 1943 which reads in part as follows:

"The Secretary of the Navy is further authorized and directed to award the Purple Heart posthumously, in the name of the President of the United States, to any persons who, while serving in any capacity with the Navy, Marine Corps or Coast Guard of the United States, since December 6, 1941, are killed in action or who die as a direct result of wounds received in action with an enemy of the United States, or as a result of an act of such enemy."

The medal is being forwarded under separate cover. Please acknowledge receipt on the enclosed form.

By direction of Chief of Naval Personnel.

Sincerely yours.

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "R. J. Hardy".

R. J. HARDY  
Commander, U.S.N.  
Enlisted Performance Division