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Mrs. Julia Babcock
General Delivery
West Concord, Minnesota

My dear Mrs. Babcock:

I have your letter of July 29th regarding your son, the late Private First Class George V. Babcock, U. S. Marine Corps Reserve.

Your son was a member of an amphibian tractor crew landing in the assault on Saipan Island, Marianas Islands, 15 June, 1944. He lost his life by drowning when his tractor was overturned by the prevailing high wind and rough surf. His remains were subsequently recovered and buried at sea with military honors on 17 June, 1944.

My sincere sympathy is extended to you in the loss of your son.

Sincerely yours,

EDWIN C. CLARKE

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Executive Officer, Casualty Division
By direction of the Director of Personnel