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Sept. 20, 1944

My dear Mrs. Sarapas:

I have the honor to inform you that, by direction of the President, the Silver Star has been posthumously awarded to your husband, Private First Class Peter F. Sarapas, Infantry. The citation is as follows:

SILVER STAR

"For gallantry in action on 12 February 1944 in the vicinity of ****. When the enemy launched a furous attack against the defensive positions of the 1st Battalion, Private First Class Sarapas spotted a comrade, seriously wounded, lying in an exposed position. Unhesitatingly, he left his own rock emplacement and crawled toward the wounded soldier, constantly imperilled by bursting artillery and mortar shells and withering small arms fire. Private First Class Sarapas' forgetfulness of self in his desire to aid a wounded comrade indicates magnificent courage and nobility of character. From this engagement he was reported missing in action. His gallant action reflects great credit upon himself and the Armed Forces of the United States.

The decoration will be forwarded to the Commanding General, First Service Command, Boston, Massachusetts, who will select an officer to make the presentation. The officer selected will communicate with you concerning your wishes in the matter.

May I again express my deepest sympathy to you in your bereavement.

Sincerely yours,

J. A. ULIO,
Major General
The Adjutant General.

C O P Y

November 18, 1944

My dear Mrs. Sarapas:

The President has requested me to inform you that the Purple Heart has been awarded posthumously to your husband, Private First Class Peter F. Sarapas, Infantry, who sacrificed his life in defense of his country.

The medal, which you will receive shortly, is of slight intrinsic value, but rich with the tradition for which Americans are so gallantly giving their lives. The Father of our country, whose profile and coat of arms adorn the medal, speaks from it across the centuries to the men who fight today for the proud freedom he founded.

Nothing the War Department can do or say will in any sense repair the loss of your loved one. He has gone, however, in honor and the goodly company of patriots. Let me, in communicating to you the country's deep sympathy, also express to you its gratitude for his valor and devotion.

Please believe me,

Sincerely yours,

Henry L. Stimson

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Peter Sarapas gallantly served in World War 11 . He made a supreme sacrifice for his country and was posthumously decorated with Silver Star for his bravery.

1. Rev. Francis J. Juskaitis, 432 Windsor St. Cambr.
2. Francis R. Waitkus 123 Webster Ave. Camb.
3. Antonina Bynska 13 Lincoln St
4. Joseph Bucinskas 403 Windsor St. Camb.
5. Anamel Gros 345 Columbia St Camb.
6. Anthony Barkavich 49 Lincoln St. Camb.
7. Harold E Grant 402 Windsor St Camb.
8. Mary Burke 399 Windsor St.
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10. Mrs. Tekla R. Enkowskas 411 Windsor St., Cambridge
11. Jacob Shucter 212 Webster Ave, Cambridge
12. Israel Roseman 238 Webster av. Cambr.
13. Morris Kaplan 247 Webster Ave Cambridge
14. George Silverman 1020 Cambridge St, Cambridge
15. David Halpern 1010 Camb St Camb Mass
16. Nathan Koocher 984 Cambridge St. Camb., Mass.
17. Jacob Fogel 966 Camb. St. Camb.
18. Ciprian Sanderson 336 Windsor St. Cambridge
19. Antonina Eromin 250 Webster Ave. Cambridge
20. Alexander Tasanis 333 Columbia St
21. Stephen Lukauskas 5 1/2 Palermo St
22. Walter Wietejunas 465 Windsor St. Cambridge
23. Joseph Silva 43 Lincoln St Camb Mass
24. Mrs Robert Ferrari 62 Lincoln St Cambridge
25. Mrs Mary P. Silva 66 Lincoln St Cambridge
Mrs Daniel T Toomey 395 Windsor St Camb

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1. John Grigolonk 330 Winnsor Camb
2. Alexander Rakicki 124 Webster ave Camb. 4
3. Anthony Antonowicz 114 Webster Ave. Camb
4. Joseph Ananis 42A Union St. Camb.
5. Matthew Cirdvanis 340 Windsor St Camb.
6. Walter Wilkalis 455 Windsor St. Camb.
7. Jack Monikas. 252 Webster Ave Camb. Mass.
8. Manuel P. Oliver 242-248 Webster Ave
9. Charles Raulinaitis 65 Lincoln St Cambridge
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11. Maria B. Souza 444 Windsor St Camb.
12. Max M. Wantman 231 Webster Ave. Camb
13. Mrs A. Maguranis 461 Windsor St Camb
14. Mrs. ~~Mary~~ Emily Silva 473 Windsor Street Camb.
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16. Helen Rynkiewicz. 464 Windsor St. Camb
17. Mary E Pachelo 472 Windsor St Camb
18. Abraham X Bronstein 469 Windsor St Camb.
19. HIS MARK witness to his mark A Stankunas 65 Lincoln St Camb.
20. Mrs Mary E Silva - 385 Windsor St Camb. Mass.
21. DOMICELLA X POZNANSKY 363 Windsor St. Camb.
22. HER MARK witness to her mark A. Stankunas 65 Lincoln St Camb.
23. John Santackas 366 Windsor St. Camb.
24. Joseph Stulpinas 351 Windsor St Camb.
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Peter Sarapas gallantly served in World War II. He made a supreme sacrifice for his country and was posthumously decorated with Silver Star for his bravery.

1. Arthur F. Sr. George 348 Windsor St.
2. Mr. Jesse Botelho 337 Windsor St.
3. Stella Kontrinas 123 Webster Avenue
4. Mary Ouvika 37 Jefferson St Camb (NONOWNER)
5. Lillian George 123 Spring St (NON
6. Joseph Ruczynski 154 Webster ave. Camb, Mass
7. Anthony Skirius 154 Webster ave. Cambridge Mass
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1. Alexander Stankunas 65 Lincoln St
2. Anthony F. Sanderson 336 Windsor St
3. Joseph A. Sanderson 326 Windsor St
4. William Sanderson 336 Windsor St
5. William F. Carson Vet
6. Joseph Santadas Vet
7. Alice Carroll, 956 Cam. St.
8. Joseph Misiukonis 17 Pleasant
9. Manuel J. Botelho 30 Bishop
10. Mary Leeza 17 Hawkins St Camb
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12. Vincent Rauknuitis Vet
13. Charles Sherman Vet
14. Joseph Versackas VET
15. John J. Burke
16. Minetta Layman 291 Portland Cambridge
17. Joseph C. Karnella VET
18. Edward Mahoney 125 Cambridge St
19. Michael E. Fitzpatrick VET
20. Leo F. Mahoney 11 Cornelius Ter Camb
21. John Lubera 44 Warren St
22. William J. Mullen 367 Cambridge St
23. Josephine Pasonis 49 Lincoln St
24. Albert L. Perin VET
25. Alphonse A. Jakutis Vet
27. Jos C. Polenberg Vet
28. Peter F. Sarapis 7 Robinson St.
29. Joseph P. Pescetto Vet.
30. Charles Simmons Vet Son
31. Anita D. Souldie
32. 473 Windsor St Cambridge Mass.
33. Stanley Santoski 168 Harvard St Camb
34.
35. Anna Santoski 168 Harvard St Camb
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37. [illegible] 29 Market St.
38. Mary Lukosunas 11 Columbia
39. Joseph Lukosunas 11 Columbia
40. Anna Kondratavich "
41. Albert Costanzo Vet.
42. Mrs Ruth Venturini
43. Charles P. Venturini 386 Windsor St Camb
44. Grace Costanzo
45. Mrs Josephine Costanzo
46. Carl Venturini 386 Windsor St Camb
47. George T. Howe 369 Windsor St Camb
48. Amy L. Batelho 335
49. Joseph Correia Windsor 337 St.
50. Mary Correia " "
51. Mike Carroll Vet.

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1. William Arnaoff
2. Joseph [illegible] 147 Magnolia St.
3. [illegible] 19 Lincoln St, VET
4. Mary Waithus 12 Webster Ave
5. [illegible]
6. Michael Wallace 261 Columbia St
7. John J Mackevich 12 Union St VET
8. [illegible]
9. Ludvic J Borkovich Vet.
10. Stacia Corbett 55A Market St
11. Edward Kopenlewicz 17 Plymouth St vet
12. [illegible]
13. Richard Dellolio 27 Berkshire St vet.
14. Frank J. Burke Cambvet.
15. Bernard Santospirito Vet
16. Frank Clarke Vet
17. Alphonse A. Balmas Vet
18. Francis P. Devarts VET.
19. Frank Devaney 236 Elm St Camb.
20. Carlo Pellecchia 22 Hancock St. Camb.
21. Joseph J. Rakauskas Vet
22. Vincent Palomba 94 HAMPSHIRE St.
23. Joseph Palomba 94 Hampshire St.
24. Samuel [illegible] Vet
25. [illegible] VET

26. [illegible]
27. [illegible]
28. Francis Sheehy 13 Linden St
29. Joseph V. Sheehan
30. Peter Saunders VET
31. William P. McSweeney VET
32. Margaret McSweeney 5 Berkshire St
33. Jennie [illegible] 113 Thorndike St
34. John Sandelson 330 Columbia St
35. Helen Fenney 42 Lincoln St.
36. John Paulakis 406 Columbia Street Camb.
37. Benjamin Paulakis 406 Columbia Street Camb.
38. [illegible]
39. Timothy J. O'Leary Jr. Vet. 16 Union St
40. Joseph Keohan 142 Webster Ave
41. Eva Stankunas 68 Lincoln St.
42. Julius Malkowski 1 Union Place
43. [illegible]
44. Emma Galeser 34 Columbia St.
45. Mary Vitkos 15 Plymouth St.
46. 84 Edgerton Road
47. Arlington Heights
48. Joseph Wisniewski
49. 20½ Hunting St. Cambridge
50. Alfred Wozlowsky 106 Berkshire St. Veteran
51. W.E. Layman 281 Portland St. Everett

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1. Mrs. Elizabeth Draper 22 Market St
2. Mr. H. J. Hyatt - VET.
3. Mrs. Alice E. McCarthy 47H Windsor
4. John T. McCarthy VETERAN.
5. [illegible]
6. Helen S. Wathen 75 Washington Elms.
7. Mrs. Frank Miles
8. [illegible]
9. Rachael Cooper 80 Hampshire St VETERAN
10. [illegible]
11. [illegible] 96 Hampshire
12. [illegible]
13. [illegible] 33 Portsmouth St Camb
14. Mrs Florence Whalen
15. [illegible]
16. Mrs Mastromatteo
17. Mrs Mc Curty 5 Portsmouth
18. Mathew Sindreams - VET.
19. Henry Wenievicz VET SON
20. John Laskauskas 51 Hancock St.
21. Edward O Connell Vet Camb.
22. Charles C. Riley Vet
23. Frank [illegible]
24. John Mahon St. Vet
25. Joseph Sadaipes 15 Plymouth St.
26. Joseph Caneiro 133 Webster Ave
27. Joseph Alphonse 50 Chestnut
28. Estelle Stiles 93 Plymouth
29. Bertha Stiles 93 Plymouth
30. Francis A. Stephens Vet
31. Mrs Lloyd Pierce 285 Windsor St
32. John Kenzinska
33. 42 Lincoln St
34. Michael J. Sweeney 30 H Cambridge, Mass.
35. [illegible]
36. Mrs Alice Burbine 118 Webster Ave
37. H. M. Hyatt Windsor St.
38. 25 Plymouth St
39. H. Delaney
40. Frank Bitter
41. 30 Union St Cambridge Mass.
42. W. Raczkauskis
43. 81 Pine St
44. Mrs Dwyer 78 Plymouth St
45. John J. Mitchell Vet.
46. Al. Bunokas Vet
47. Anne Dennedy 54 Webster Ave.
48. James P. Sherman Vet. #2
49. Mrs. L. Fontrimas
50. 22 Portsmouth St
51. Frank W Fontrimas VET.
52. Joseph A Cognevich Vet.

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1. Arthur C Lugg 992 Camb St.
2. Genevieve Zilonis 985 Camb. St.
3. Joseph H Snaphy 1079 Camb St
4. William Tasonis 49 Lincoln St Camb
5. Walter J Tasonis 333 Columbia St. Camb. (VET.)
6. Paul Gaigalas 985 Camb. St.
7. Stanley S Drevinsky 61 Allston St
8. Anna J. Drevinsky 61 Allston St
9. Vincent Raskavicius Windsor.
10. Anthony Daukantas 9 Lincoln St.
11. Emily Daukantas.
12. Margaret Mulgrew.
13. Elmer L. St George 82 Berkshire St.
14. Daniel G. Burke
15. Julius Metoyer
16. 2 Union Place
17. Ima L. Vargas 220 Webster Ave
18. Barbara McCambly - Main St.
19. Anthony Malla 324 Windsor
20. John G. Ferreira VET
21. Irene Pitkowicz 30 Market
22. Paula Paulina Curtis 30 Market St.
23. James D. Campbell VET.
24. Manuel J Gaspic 3 Port Smith St
25. Edna Czaczynska 154 Webster Ave
26. Veronica Johnson, 333 Columbia St.
27. Joseph J. Rochatka Cambridge
28. Stanley G Shimkus
29. 44 Lincoln St Camb
30. Charles L. Shimkus
31. 50 Saville St Camb.
32. John C. Pakstis (VET.) 9 Union St. Camb. Mass.
33. Vincent C Pakstis 49 Bristol St Camb.
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1. Charles Sasnauskas 363 Windsor 30.
2. Adam Rukis 505 Windsor St 31.
3. John Balandis, 17 Plymouth St. 32.
4. Albert J. Petrusonis 115½ Hampshire 33.
5. Bronislav Palaima 82 Tremont St. 34.
6. Joseph A. Plansky 911 Lincoln St 35.
7. Peter Danovich 231 Portland St 36.
8. Blanche Alves 211 Elm St Camb 37.
9. John P Remeikis 82 Wash. Elms. 38.
10. Dr. John Repshis 278 Harvard St. Camb. 39.
11. Edward W. Lucey 992 Camb. St 40.
12. James P Dwyer 8 Berkshire Pl 41.
13. Ferdinand Pbrul 31 Newtown Ct 42.
14. James F. Whalen 51 Plymouth St 43.
15. John G Hodgdon 91 Plymouth St 44.
16. Walter J Plansky 211 Elm St 45.
17. Anthony Corton 53 Wash. Elms. 46.
18. Lawrence Sullivan 12 Newtown Ct 47.
19. Peter T Abeunas 47 Washington Elm 48.
20. John R Carson 231 Norfolk St 49.
21. John Maskevich 340 Windsor St 50.
22. Mildred Ormond. Winson St 51.
23. Thos Ormond Winson St 52.
24. Mrs Kate Ormond Winson St 53.
25. Albert W. Sasnauskas Windsor St 54.
26. Constantine C. Samolis 112 Berkshire St Camb 55.
27. Vito F. Quaries - 19 Murray Hill Rd 56.
28. Thomas McGrath 283 Windsor St Camb 57.
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AMERICAN LITHUANIAN CITIZEN'S CLUB
823 MAIN STREET
CAMBRIDGE, MASSACHUSETTS

March 18, 1946.

The Honorable City Council,
Cambridge, Massachusetts.

Gentlemen:

Upon motion duly made and seconded, it was unanimously voted: That the membership of the American Lithuanian Citizens' Club of Cambridge, elect a committee of five members, to petition the Honorable Mayor and City Council of Cambridge, in behalf of the Club and any additional signatories thereto, that the location, now known as Norton Square, at the intersection of Windsor and Lincoln Streets and Webster Avenue, be changed to Peter F. Sarapas Square; in honor and everlasting memory of a model American, gallant soldier, a son of Cambridge, and a loving club member, who died for the principles which we hold sacred.

The above is an abstract from the minutes of our monthly club meeting on February 24, 1946, at our club room, 823 Main Street, Cambridge, Mass., attended by 208 members.

To substantially acqaint your Honorable Body with the boy, which we ask you to honor with us, we are proud to submit the following: He was born, educated, worked, and lived in Cambridge. He was married and lived at 387 Columbia Street. He was a member of the Immaculate Conception Church which is located directly in the above named Square. He was among the first from Cambridge to answer the call to the colors. He joined the Armed Forces on February 24, 1942. He is the first member of our club to die in combat. He saw action Oran Africa, San Rapido, and Cassino. He heroically made the supreme sacrifice in Italy, on February 12, 1944. It is officially reported that he is interred in the United States Military Cemetery, Marzanello Nuova, Italy.

We are enclosing copies of Purple Heart medal and Silver Star citation presentations, which are self explained.

We are also enclosing eight sheets, with the signatures of owners of property in the immediate square, together with residents in and adjoining the same, who are favorable to the requested change.

We humbly pray for your favorable consideration.
American Lithuanian Citizens' Club,
Peter F. Sarapas Square Committee,

William Tasonis
Alexander R. Stankunas
Joseph Tamenas
Vincent C. Kirslis
Joseph N. Trockey, Chairman

Petition of
American Lithuanian Citizens Club
that name of Norton Square be
changed to Peter F. Sarapas
Square.

March 22, 1946

Prelis

In City Council APR 1 1946

Referred to the Committee on

Public Celebrations & Military Affairs

Frederick H. Burke City Clerk

CCM-101

City of Cambridge

IN CITY COUNCIL

April 22, 1946.

ORDERED:-

That the name of Norton Square be changed and that the same hereafter be called and known as Peter F.Sarapas Square.

City Council APR 22 1946
Adopted by the affirmative vote
of 9 members

Frederick H. Burke City Clerk

City of Cambridge

In City Council April 22, 1946.

The *Committee* on Public Celebrations & Military Affairs.

to which was referred petition of American Lithunian Citizens Club relative requesting that the name of Norton Square be changed to Peter F.Sarapas Square.

Reports,

Recommending the adoption of the accompanying order granting the prayer of the petitioners.

Hayman Rubin

For the Committee.

REPORT

Committee on Rubin Celebrates + Military affairs

April 22, 1946