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Lt. C. P. Mason Dies in Crash Of Divebomber

Son of Air Admiral Killed in Far West Monday

Lt. Charles Perry Mason, Jr., USN, 26, has been reported killed in the crash of a Navy bomber at Carson Sink, Nev., Monday, the Navy announced Wednesday.

Lieutenant Mason, son of Rear Admr. Charles P. Mason, chief of naval air intermediate training, and Mrs. Mason, was an instructor in dive bombing at a station near Carson City, Nev.

The Navy report said the Helldiver bomber crashed near the mouth of Stillwater creek, 15 miles northeast of Fallo, Nev., while on night exercises. The plane was found Wednesday. Nothing but ashes remained, the report said.

Lieutenant Mason, a native of Pensacola, was a graduate of Annapolis in 1940 and received his commission of lieutenant senior grade Oct. 1, 1942. He studied at Severn preparatory school before he entered Annapolis.

Immediately following the start of the war he served on the cruiser Omaha and later went into flight training, receiving his wings in Miami.

Lieutenant Perry's widow, Cornelia Lee Mason, and their 10 month old son, Charles Perry Mason III, are living at Fallo, Nev.

Lieutenant Mason's mother is the former Miss Rallie Fisher of Pensacola.