

NAME: Victor

RANK: Captain

ORGANIZATION: IX Fighter Command

OVERSEAS WARTIME SERVICE: European Theater of Operations

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Victor, a Jewish American pilot, receives a letter from his English lover:

“XX XXX 1944.

A month has almost passed since I received any mail from you, and I must admit I am rather shocked at your silence considering you realize my condition.

Naturally I am fully aware by this time that if you did have any love for me it has long since gone. I am not really sure now that I love you although the memory of you can continue to hurt me.

Now I am in the position of not being able to work, no money, and not only myself to support in the future but your child – yes, yours just as much as mine. Had you considered me at all...also explained that although you were sorry for what happened, you didn't love me, I could have forgiven you. However, even while writing this letter I am not sure that you are alive, or lying in hospital somewhere...In any case I will wait another fortnight to hear from you, if I do not do so, I will write to your Commanding Officer also your parents and inform them of the facts...

Yours sincerely

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- Victor was killed in action later in the Second World War.
 - **For visual context, this link connects to an original wartime newsreel in the public domain that covers the above time period and Victor's organization (viewer discretion advised):**
<https://archive.org/details/CB-20-1944>
 - **For additional detail, this link connects to the Wikipedia article that covers Victor's wartime organization, the IX Fighter Command (reader discretion advised):**
https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/IX_Fighter_Command