



OBJECT ID	2000.4.21
OBJECT NAME	Correspondence
OBJECT COLLECTION	The George J. Hontos Collection (is part of)
DATE CREATED	July 8, 1943
ALTERNATIVE NAME	Military
MATERIAL	Paper
OBJECT ENTITIES	<p>Hontos, Cornelia (owned by)</p> <p>Hontos, George (is related to)</p> <p>Hontos, Arthur (is related to)</p> <p>Hontos, Cornelia (is related to)</p> <p>Green, Dwight (is related to)</p>

## RELATED ITEMS

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Cover, Pillow, 2000.4.4  
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## OBJECT DESCRIPTION

LETTER OF CONDOLENCE TO CORNELIA HONTOS FOR THE LOSS OF HER SON GEORGE J. HONTOS BY THE GOVERNOR OF ILLINOIS, DWIGHT GREEN.

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## ORIGIN

George James Hontos was born in Chicago, Illinois on March 27th, 1920. The son of James and Cornelia Hontos, brother of Dimitra, Arthur, and John, who also served in the United States Navy. Two weeks following the Pearl Harbor disaster, he was called to serve his country. He trained for six months at Camps Yulen and Wallace, Tex. On March 1, 1942, the 434th Coast Artillery Battalion (Anti-Aircraft) was activated. With this outfit, he was sent to England. After the completion of training, they took part in the liberation of Africa. George died from a landmine left by the Nazis, trying to aid some wounded women and children in Tunisia, on May 24th, 1943. Private George J. Hontos was awarded posthumously the Soldier's Medal and the Purple Heart.

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#### CITATION

Correspondence, July 8, 1943, The George J. Hontos Collection, *National Hellenic Museum*, <https://collections.nationalhellenicmuseum.org/Detail/objects/>. Accessed 08/12/25.

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