Body Of Troy Soldier Arrives For Reburial

The body of Army Cpl. Edward J. Collins, 19, who was killed March 30 at Changgo-ri, Korea, arrived at Troy Union Depot at noon yesterday.

Military honors will be accorded Thursday at the funeral for the Troy soldier, son of George F. and Helen-Marie Birmey-Collins of 762 Second Avenue.

The funeral will be conducted at 8:45 a.m. Thursday from the E. J. Collins & Co. Funeral Home, 3206 Sixth Avenue, and at 9:30 a.m. from St. Augustine’s Church where a solemn requiem mass will be celebrated. Interment will be in St. Mary’s Cemetery.

Corporal Collins attended St. Augustine’s Church and was soloist in the church choir for many years. He also was a member of the St. Augustine’s C.Y.O. basketball team which won honors in New York while he was in grammar school.

He also was a member of the 27th Quartermaster Co., New York National Guard, Albany; and Truck Co. of the State Guard in Troy before his enlistment in the Army.

Besides his parents, Corporal Collins is survived by two sisters, Janet Collins and Mrs. Edmund J. O’Connell, and a brother, James F. Collins all of Troy.

Plan Mass For Troy Soldier

A requiem mass will be celebrated at 7:30 a.m. Monday at St. Augustine’s Church for Cpl. Edward J. Collins, 19, son of Mr. and Mrs. George F. Collins of 762 Second Avenue, who was killed in action, March 30, in Korea.

The mass will be celebrated by the soldier’s cousin, Rev. John J. Jones, an assistant in the Chancery Office in Albany.

The Collins family received a letter from Washington Thursday saying that information on the death of Corporal Collins will be furnished shortly by the chaplain of his outfit.

Corporal Collins was a member of Company F, Thirty-fifth Infantry, Twenty-fifth Division, and had been in Korea since July of last year.

He was born in Troy, Jan. 20, 1932, and attended St. Augustine’s School and Knickerbacker Junior High School. He entered the Army a day after his seventeenth birthday.