Military Funeral for Pelham Flier

Lt. E. G. Raymond
Killed in Plane Crash Down South

PELHAM—Funeral services for Lieut. Elmer G. Raymond of this town, who was killed in a plane crash near Columbia, Alabama last Friday, were held at the Pelham Congregational church yesterday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock.

The services, which were very largely attended, were conducted by Rev. Ralph J. Hoffman, pastor. An appropriate organ prelude and postlude were played by Miss Berniece M. Moulton, church organist. There was an unusually large number of floral tributes.

The town selectmen were represented by Ernest Q. Bigelow, chairman and Charles W. Hobb, while the following represented Pelham Grange, 244: Helen M. Morris, P. M., Carl Mansfield, Raymond Allard, Frederick Houle, Edward Hayes, Hazel Spaulding, Alva Spaulding, Alma Spaulding, Doris Foss, Catherine Donovan, Doris Hayes, Lucy Koehler, Florence Wolsie, Harriet Mansfield, Helen Priske, Sadie Bennett, Dorothy Bennett, Kathleen Atwood, Jessie Hoffman, Velma Smith, Velma Houle, George Wood, Richard Mansfield, Walter Burton, Maybel Burton, Fred Burton, Pearl Gage and Helen Noyes. Fire Chief R. C. Mansfield, as well as Chief of Police Arthur Peabody were also present.

During the service, army officers stood guard over the flag-draped casket. They were: Lieut. Joseph G. Ross, who escorted the body from Alabama, and who was a member of Lieut. Raymond's squadron and Lieuts. Miles A. Redmond, Philip H. Dolan, Geoffrey Myers, Charles G. Weber, John Kolkowski and John A. Piccard. The latter six officers, who also acted as bearers, were all from Grenier Field, Manchester, N. H.

As the cortège proceeded to Gibson cemetery here, where burial took place in the family lot, the above named military escort marched at either side of the hearse as a tribute to the dead flier.

Following the committal prayers, which were read by Rev. Mr. Hoffman, Corp. James F. Maher, bugler from Grenier field sounded "Taps."

Arrangements were in charge of Funeral Director Robert T. Morse.