Jentoku Harold Arakawa was born on November 9, 1915 in Puunene, Maui. He was the son of Saburo and Kama (Shinsato) Arakawa. He was educated at Paia School and Maui High School on Maui. Before entering the service he was a clerk at Hawaiian Pineapple Co., Ltd. in Honolulu.

On December 9, 1940 Jentoku Arakawa was inducted into the Army at Honolulu, Oahu (Serial No. 30 100 270). He trained at Schofield Barracks, Oahu and later at Camp McCoy, Wisconsin and Camp Shelby, Mississippi. He served with the 100th Infantry Battalion, Company A. Pfc Jentoku Arakawa saw service in the Hawaiian Islands, continental United States, Algeria, and Italy. He was awarded the Purple Heart, American Defense Service Medal, Combat Infantryman Badge, Asiatic-Pacific, American, and European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medals, and the World War II Victory Medal. Pfc Jentoku Harold Arakawa was killed in action in Leonardo, near Piedimonte d’Alife, Italy on October 21, 1943 in the Salerno to Cassino Campaign and is interred at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific at Punchbowl, Honolulu.