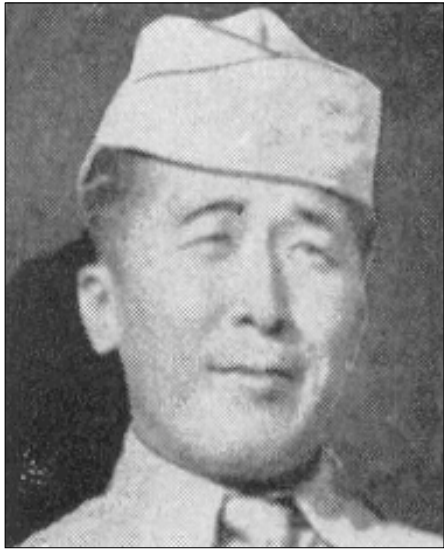


Pfc Ralph Yukio Asai
April 29, 1919 - November 7, 1943



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Ralph Yukio Asai was born on April 29, 1919 in Honolulu, Oahu. He was the son of Hanshiro and Tokiyo (Kuroiwa) Asai. He was educated at Palolo School, Liliuokalani Intermediate School, and McKinley High School on Oahu. Before entering the service he was a stevedore for McCabe, Hamilton & Renny, Honolulu.

On November 15, 1941 Ralph Asai was inducted into the Army at Schofield Barracks, Oahu (Serial No. 30 102 360). He trained at Schofield Barracks, Oahu with the 298th Infantry Regiment and later at Camp McCoy, Wisconsin and Camp Shelby, Mississippi with the 100th Infantry Battalion, Company B. He saw service in the Hawaiian Islands, the continental United States, Algeria, and Italy. He was awarded the Purple Heart, Combat Infantryman Badge, Asiatic-Pacific, American, and European-African-

Middle Eastern Campaign Medals, and the World War II Victory Medal. Pfc Ralph Yukio Asai was killed in action in Santa Maria Oliveto, Italy on November 7, 1943 in the Salerno to Cassino Campaign and is interred at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific at Punchbowl, Honolulu.