

Pfc Stanley Kazuto Funai

February 14, 1915 - February 8, 1944



Stanley K. Funai was born in Kawaihoa, Oahu, on February 14, 1915. He was the son of Juntaro Funai. He was educated at Kawaihoa School and St. Louis College, Oahu. He was married to Bessie Mineko Tatsuno (of Honolulu) on October 18, 1941. Before entering the service, he was an athletic director at Waimanalo Sugar Co., Oahu.

Funai (SN 30100669) was inducted in the Army in Honolulu, Oahu on December 20, 1940. He took basic training at Schofield Barracks, Oahu and subsequently advanced combat training at Camp McCoy, Wisconsin and Camp Shelby, Mississippi.

He served with the 299th Infantry Regiment in Hawaii and later transferred to Company A, 100th Infantry Battalion during advance combat training. He served in the continental United States; Algeria, Africa and the Italian Campaign.

He was awarded the Purple Heart, Combat Infantryman Badge, American Defense Service Medal, Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal, American Campaign Medal, European-African- Middle Eastern Campaign Medal, and the World War II Victory Medal.

Pfc. Stanley K. Funai was killed in action on February 8, 1944, near Monte Cassino, Italy, during the Cassino to Anzio campaign.

He is interred at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific (Punchbowl), Honolulu, Hawaii.

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