

Pfc. Henry T. Furushiro

Born 1917 - April 14, 1945



Henry Tetsuo Furushiro was born in 1917 and was a native Californian. He was the son of James K. Furushiro. Prior to being drafted, Henry Furushiro was listed as being a tractor and truck driver. His family probably was evacuated and settled in Caldwell, Idaho.

Furushiro (ASN 39082233) was inducted in the army in Sacramento, California on September 10, 1941, three months before Pearl Harbor.

Furushiro was with Company B of the 100th/442nd RCT as the Nisei Combat Team opened the spring offensive, cracking the vaunted Gothic Line in 32 minutes. At Castelpoggio, the Germans had infiltrated to within 50 yards under cover of the predawn fog and launched a counter attack. In the ensuing firefight, the Nisei unit was able to turn back the Germans, killing 16 and 8 wounded, but

Company B lost five men, including Pfc. Henry Furushiro.

Pfc. Henry T. Furushiro was awarded the Bronze Star; Purple Heart; Distinguished Unit Badge; and the Combat Infantryman Badge.

Pfc. Henry T. Furushiro was killed in action in a firefight at Castelpoggio, Italy on April 14, 1945.

He is interred at the Mountainview Cemetery in Altadena, California.

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HENRY T FURUSHIRO, 39082233, *Private First Class, Infantry, United States Army. For heroic achievement in action, on 14 April 1945, in Italy. Entered military service from Sacramento, California. Next of kin: Mr. James K Furushiro (Father) Caldwell, Idaho.*

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