

Pfc Hiroshi Goda
May 3, 1919 - January 25, 1944



Hiroshi Goda was born in Hilo, Hawaii, on May 3, 1919. He was the son of Tokuichi and Taka (Yamamoto) Goda. He was educated at grade and high school, Yamaguchi, Japan. Before entering the service, he was a cook for Inter-Island Steam Navigation Co., Ltd., Oahu.

Goda (SN 30100255) was inducted into the Army at Schofield Barracks, Oahu in December, 1940. He trained at Schofield Barracks, Oahu with the 298th Infantry Regiment. He was later assigned to Headquarters Company, 100th Infantry Battalion for advance combat training at Camp McCoy, Wisconsin and Camp Shelby, Mississippi.

He served in the Hawaiian Islands, continental United States, Algeria, Africa and Italy.

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. Hiroshi Goda was killed in action near Cassino, Italy during the Cassino to Anzio campaign on January 25, 1944.

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

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