Kiyoshi Hasegawa was born on April 23, 1918 in Papaikou, Hawaii. He was the son of Tokichi and Ito (Minato) Hasegawa. He was educated at Pepeekeo Elementary and Intermediate School on Hawaii. Before entering the service he was a blacksmith for the Pepeekeo Sugar Co., Hawaii.

On November 12, 1941 Kiyoshi Hasegawa was inducted into the Army (Serial No. 30 101 742) at Schofield Barracks, Oahu. He trained at Schofield Barracks, Oahu and Maui with the 299th Infantry Regiment and later at Camp McCoy, Wisconsin and Camp Shelby, Mississippi with the 100th Infantry Battalion, Company C. He saw service in the Hawaiian Islands, the continental United States, Algeria, and Italy. He was awarded the Purple Heart, Combat Infantryman Badge, the Asiatic-Pacific, American, and European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medals, and the World War II Victory Medal. Pfc Kiyoshi Hasegawa was killed in action in Leonardo, Italy on October 21, 1943 in the Salerno to Cassino Campaign and is interred at the Veterans Cemetery, County of Hawaii.

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