

Sgt Wilson Eiki Higa

March 30, 1923 - April 26, 1944



Wilson E. Higa was born in Wahiawa, Oahu, on March 30, 1923. He was the son of Kama and Ushi (Yogi) Higa. He was educated at Watertown School, Aiea Elementary and Intermediate School, Farrington High School, Oahu. Before entering the service, he was a steel worker for the Army.

Higa (SN 30104503) was inducted into the Army at Schofield Barracks, Oahu. He took advance combat training at Camp Shelby, Mississippi.

He was assigned to Company A, 100th Infantry Battalion, 442nd Regimental Combat Team. He served in the continental United States and Italy.

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

Sgt. Wilson E. Higa was killed in action on April 26, 1944 near Antonio and Anzio Italy, during the Anzio to Rome Campaign.

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

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