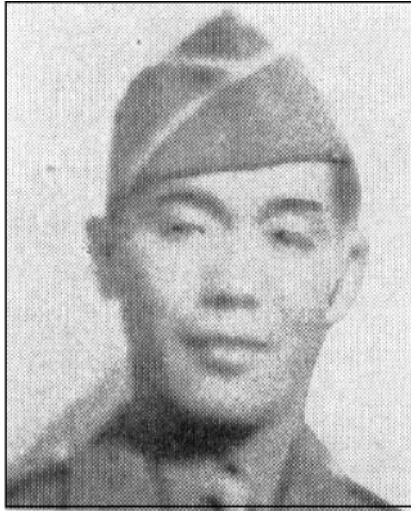


## **Pfc Yeiko Higa**

*September 4, 1918 - November 30, 1943*



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Yeiko Higa was born in Aiea, Oahu, on September 4, 1918. He was the son of Yeimei and Imi Higa. He was educated at Lunalilo School, Washington Intermediate School, McKinley High School, Oahu. Before entering the service, he was a carpenter at Contractors Pacific Naval Air Bases, Oahu.

In March 25, 1941, he was inducted into the Army at Honolulu, Oahu (Serial No. 30100977). He trained at Schofield Barracks, Oahu; Camp McCoy, Wisconsin; and Camp Shelby, Mississippi. He served with the 298<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment and the 100<sup>th</sup> Infantry Battalion, Company A, in the Hawaiian Islands, continental United States, Algeria, and Italy. He was awarded the Purple Heart, one Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to Purple Heart, Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal, American Campaign Medal, European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal, and

Pfc Yeiko Higa was killed in action on November 30, 1943, near Scapoli, Italy, during the Salerno to Cassino Campaign, and is interred at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific (Punchbowl), Honolulu, Hawaii.