Pvt Harry Nobuo Hikichi  
February 3, 1916 - December 1, 1943

Harry N. Hikichi was born in Honolulu, Oahu, on February 3, 1916. He was the son of Utaro and Yai (Shishido) Hikichi. He was educated at Ewa Elementary and Intermediate School, Oahu. Before entering the service, he was a tractor operator at Ewa Plantation Co., Oahu.

Harry N. Hikichi (SN 30201855) was inducted into the Army at Ewa, Oahu on November 14, 1941. He took basic training at Schofield Barracks, Oahu and subsequently advance combat training at Camp McCoy, Wisconsin and at Camp Shelby, Mississippi. He served with the 298th Infantry Regiment in the Hawaiian Islands. He was re-assigned to Company A, 100th Infantry Battalion for combat training in the continental United States, and then dispatched overseas to Algeria, Africa and subsequently participated in the landing at Salerno, Italy.

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

Pvt. Harry N. Hikichi was killed in action on December 1, 1943, near Scapoli, in Italy during the Salerno to Cassino campaign.

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

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