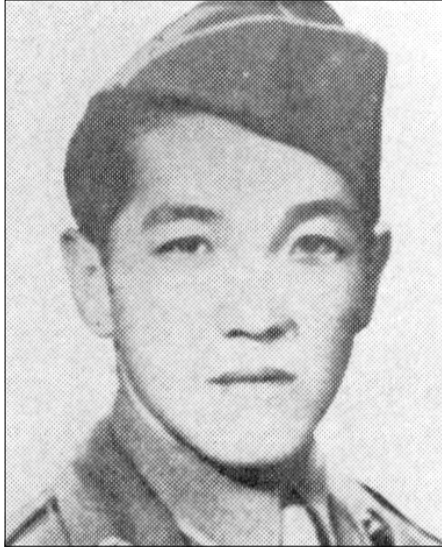


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Kazuo Lawrence Hiramatsu was born on May 18, 1918 in Waialua, Oahu. He was the son of Umanosuke and Yukiko Hiramatsu. He was educated at Wahiawa School and McKinley High School on Oahu. Before entering the service he was a laborer at the Hawaiian Pineapple Co., Ltd. in Honolulu.

On December 10, 1940 Kazuo Hiramatsu was inducted into the Army (Serial No. 30 100 252) at Schofield Barracks, Oahu. He trained at Schofield Barracks 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, continental United States, Algeria, and Italy. He was awarded the Purple Heart, Combat Infantryman Badge, American Defense Service Medal,

the Asiatic-Pacific, American, and European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medals, and the World War II Victory Medal. Pfc Kazuo Lawrence Hiramatsu was killed in action near Castellina Marittima, Italy on July 7, 1944 in the Rome-Arno Campaign and is interred at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific at Punchbowl, Honolulu.