

Sgt. Max M. Hosoda Jr.
August 7, 1916 – October 18, 1944



Max Hosoda Jr., son of Max and Itono Hosoda Sr., was born and raised on a farm in Emmett, Idaho, where he attended grade school and high school. He graduated from the University of Idaho in Moscow with a B. S. in Agriculture. Hosoda had two brothers, Earl and George, who also served with the 442nd Regimental Combat Team. Brother Earl was killed in action on April 5, 1945, during the Po Valley Campaign in Italy serving with Company B, 100th Infantry Battalion. George was with Company H and survived the four campaigns in Italy and France.

Besides George, here were three additional Hosoda brothers, Ruy and Yoshimi, now deceased and Yoshimi became a First lieutenant for the U. S. Army and served in Germany. George currently resides in Moses Lake, Washington, His surviving brother, George residing in Moses Lake, WA and sisters; Elsie (Hosoda) Sugiyama and Sue (Hosoda) Yamamoto living in Gardena, CA furnished the information for this profile.

Hosoda (SN 39680042). was drafted and stationed at Camp Grant, Illinois, for several years and worked his way up attaining the grade of Staff Sergeant.

He was shipped overseas as a replacement and joined Company B, 100th Infantry Battalion, 442nd Regimental Combat Team.

He was awarded the Combat Infantryman Badge, Purple Heart, Distinguished Unit Citation, African European Middle East Campaign and World War II Victory Medal.

Hosoda was killed in action near Biffontaine, in the Vosges forest, during the battle to liberate the town of Bruyeres, France on October 18, 1944.

He is buried in Emmett Cemetery in Idaho.

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