Kenichi Ichimura was born in Honolulu, Oahu, on October 30, 1911. He was the son of Torazo and Yuki (Osaka) Ichimura. He was educated at Kauluwela School, McKinley High School, University of Hawaii, Oahu. Before entering the service, he was a salesman at T. Ichimura & Sons, Honolulu, Oahu.

In October 9, 1940, he was inducted into the Army at Honolulu, Oahu (serial no. 30100038). He trained at Schofield Barracks, Oahu, Camp McCoy, Wisconsin, Camp Shelby, Mississippi. He served with the 298th Infantry Regiment and the 100th Infantry Battalion, Company A, in the Hawaiian Islands, continental United States, Algeria, and Italy. He was awarded the Purple Heart, American Defense Service Medal, Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal, American Service Medal, American Campaign Medal, European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal, and the World War II Victory Medal.

Pvt. Kenichi Ichimura was killed in action on November 30, 1943, in Naples, Italy, during the Salerno to Cassino Campaign, and is interred at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific (Punchbowl), Honolulu, Hawaii.

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