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William Yoshio Ikeda was born on March 12, 1917, in Paia, Maui. He was the son of Tozo and Tsui (Veda) Ikeda. He was educated at Ulupalakua School on Maui. Before entering the service, he was employed as a painter for Inter-island Steam Navigation Co., Ltd. in Honolulu.

On March 25, 1943, William Yoshio Ikeda was inducted into the Army at Schofield Barracks on Oahu (Serial number, 30105198). He trained at Camp Shelby, Mississippi. He served with the 442nd Regimental Combat Team and the 100th Infantry Battalion, B Company, in the continental United States and in Italy. He was awarded the Purple Heart Medal, Combat Infantryman Medal, American Campaign Medal, European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal and the World War II Victory Medal.

Private William Yoshio Ikeda died of wounds received fighting near Pastena, Italy, on July 14, 1944, during the Rome-Arno Campaign. He is interred at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific (Punchbowl), Honolulu, Hawaii.