

## **Pfc James Shiro Ikeno**

November 15, 1918 - February 6, 1944



James S. Ikeno was born in Captain Cook, Hawaii, on November 15, 1918. He was the son of Buichi and Tsunao (Ogata) Ikeno. He was educated at Koanwaena High and Elementary School, Hawaii. Before entering the service, he was a refrigeration mechanic at B&I Electric Appliance Co., Hawaii.

Ikeno (SN 30100536) was inducted into the Army at Hilo, Hawaii on December 8, 1940. He trained at Schofield Barracks, Oahu with the 299<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment. He was later assigned to Company D, 100<sup>th</sup> Infantry Battalion for advance combat training at Camp McCoy, Wisconsin and Camp Shelby, Mississippi.

He served in the Hawaiian Islands, continental United States, Algeria, Africa and Italy.

He was awarded the Purple Heart, Combat Infantry Badge, 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.

Pfc. James S. Ikeno was killed in action near Monte Cairo and Cassino, Italy, during the Cassino to Anzio Campaign on February 6, 1944.

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

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