Masato Inouye was born in Honohina, Hawaii, on November 4, 1924. He was the son of Seitaro and Katsuyo Miyahara Inouye. He was educated at Lihue School, Kauai. Before entering the service, he was employed as a laborer by the United States Army.

Inouye (SN 30104995) was inducted into the Army in April 1943, in Honolulu, Oahu. He took advance combat training at Camp Shelby, Mississippi with the 442nd Regimental Combat Team.

He was assigned to Company A, 100th Infantry Battalion, and served in the United States, Algeria, Africa and in the Italian Campaign.

He was awarded the Purple Heart Medal, Combat Infantry Badge, American Campaign Medal, European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal and the World War II Victory Medal.

Pfc. Masato Inouye was killed in action on June 3, 1944, during the Anzio to Rome Campaign.

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

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