Pvt Richard Hichiro Ishii
July 15, 1915 - February 17, 1944

Richard H. Ishii was born in Honolulu, Oahu, on July 15, 1915. He was the son of Kanekichi and Tsuma Ishii. He was educated at Manoa School, Washington Intermediate School Oahu. Before entering the service, he was a taxi driver at Walter’s Taxi in Honolulu, Oahu.

Ishii (SN 30102243) was inducted into the Army at Schofield Barracks, Oahu on November 15, 1941. He trained at Schofield Barracks, Oahu, Camp McCoy, Wisconsin and Camp Shelby, Mississippi.

He served with the 299th Infantry Regiment and the 100th Infantry Battalion, Company C, in the Hawaiian Islands, continental United States, Algeria, Africa and Italy.

He was awarded the Purple Heart, Combat Infantryman Badge, Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal, American Defense Service Medal, American Service Medal, American Campaign Medal, European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal, and the World War II Victory Medal.

Pvt. Richard H. Ishii was killed in action near Cassino Italy, during the Cassino to Anzio Campaign on February 17, 1944.

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

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