Hachiro Ito was born in Honolulu, Oahu, on August 27, 1918. He was the son of Shoichi and Tona (Kimura) Ito. He was educated at Likelike School, Kalakaua Intermediate School, Oahu. Before entering the service, he was a carpenter.

In December 10, 1940, he was inducted into the Army at Honolulu, Oahu (Serial No. 30100335). He trained at Schofield Barracks, Oahu; Camp McCoy, Wisconsin; and Camp Shelby, Mississippi. He served with the 298th Infantry Regiment and the 100th Infantry Battalion, Company B, in the Hawaiian Islands, continental United States, Algeria, and Italy. He was awarded the Bronze Star Medal, Purple Heart, Combat Infantryman Badge, American Defense Service Medal, Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal, American Campaign Medal, European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal, and the World War II Victory Medal.

Pfc Hachiro Ito was killed in action on January 10, 1944, near San Vittore and Cassino, 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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