Masichi Charles Katsuda was born on February 5, 1916, in Camp 2, Makaweli, Kauai. He was the son of Miyanosuke and Tamako (Morioka) Katsuda. He was educated at Makaweli School, Kauai. He married Tokiko Sakai (of Hanapepe, Kauai), April 2, 1942. Before entering the service, he was employed as a laborer at E. E. Black, Ltd., Honolulu.

Masichi Charles Katsuda was inducted into the Army on March 25, 1941, Lihue, Kauai (Serial number, 30101368). 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, Medics, in the Hawaiian Islands, continental United States, Algeria, and Italy. He was awarded the Purple Heart Medal with 1 Oak-Leaf Cluster, Combat Medic Badge, Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal, American and European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medals, and the World War II Victory Medal.

Pfc Masaichi Charles Katsuda was killed in action on January 10, 1944 near Cervaro and Cassino, Italy, during the Salerno to Cassino Campaign. He is interred at the Kauai County Cemetery, Kauai.