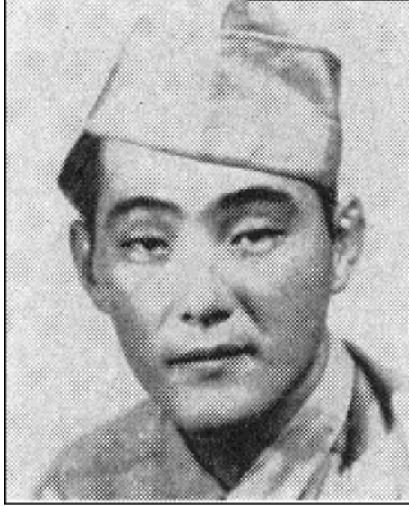


## **Pvt Kikumatsu Frank Kawanishi**

*January 5, 1918 - November 9, 1943*



**Pvt Kikumatsu F. Kawanishi**

Kikumatsu Frank Kawanishi was born on January 15, 1918, in Hilo, Hawaii. He was the son of Kimiyo (Kawanishi) (Enemoto) Mori. He was educated at Hilo Union School, Hilo Intermediate School, Hawaii. Before entering the service, he was employed as a carpenter for Iwashita Building Contractor, Hilo, Hawaii.

Kikumatsu Frank Kawanishi was inducted into the Army on December 8, 1940, Hilo, Hawaii (Serial number, 30100560). He trained at Schofield Barracks, Oahu; Camp McCoy, Wisconsin; and Camp Shelby, Mississippi. He served with the 299<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment and the 100<sup>th</sup> Infantry Battalion, Company F, in the Hawaiian Islands, continental United States, Algeria, Italy, and France. He was awarded the Purple Heart Medal, Combat Infantryman Badge, American Defense Service Medal, American Defense Medal, Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal, American and European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medals, and the World War II Victory Medal.

Pvt Kikumatsu Frank Kawanishi was killed in action on November 9, 1943 near Santa Maria Oliveto, Italy, during the Salerno to Cassino Campaign. He is interred at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific (Punchbowl), Honolulu, Hawaii.