

Pvt Tetsuo Kawano

April 22, 1917 - November 4, 1943



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Tetsuo Kawano was born on April 22, 1917, in Honolulu. He was the son of Isomatsu and Hanayo Kawano. He was educated at Kaiulani School; Mid-Pacific Institute, Oahu; and Commercial School, Hiroshima, Japan. Before entering the service, he was employed as manager of the Aloha Curio Store, Honolulu, Oahu.

Tetsuo Kawano was inducted into the Army on June 30, 1941, at Schofield Barracks, Oahu (Serial number, 30101526). 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 E, in the Hawaiian Islands, continental United States, Algeria, and Italy. He was awarded the Purple Heart Medal, Combat Infantryman Badge, Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal, American and European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medals, and the World War II Victory Medal.

Pvt Tetsuo Kawano was killed in action on November 4, 1943, Naples, Italy, during the Salerno to Cassino Campaign. He is interred at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific (Punchbowl), Honolulu, Hawaii.