Pvt Albert Goro Kawata
February 2, 1916 - November 29, 1943

Albert Goro Kawata was born on February 2, 1916, in Honolulu, Oahu. He was the son of Hyotaru and Samu (Hamada) Kawata. He was educated at Pauoa School, Kawananakoa Intermediate School and McKinley High School, Oahu. Before entering the service, he was employed as a service station Attendant for the Schuman Carriage Co., Honolulu, Oahu.

Kawata was inducted into the Army on November 15, 1941 at Honolulu, Oahu. Serial number, 30102223. He trained at Schofield Barracks, Oahu, Camp McCoy, Wisconsin, Camp Shelby, Mississippi. He served with the 298th Infantry Regiment and the 100th Infantry Battalion, Company A. in the Hawaiian Island, continental United States, Algeria, and Italy. He was awarded the Purple Heart Medal, with one Oak-Leaf Cluster, Combat Infantryman Badge, Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal, American and European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medals, and the World War II Victory Medal.

Pvt. Albert Goro Kawata was killed in action on November 29, 1943, at Scapoli, Italy, during the Salerno to Cassino Campaign.

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

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