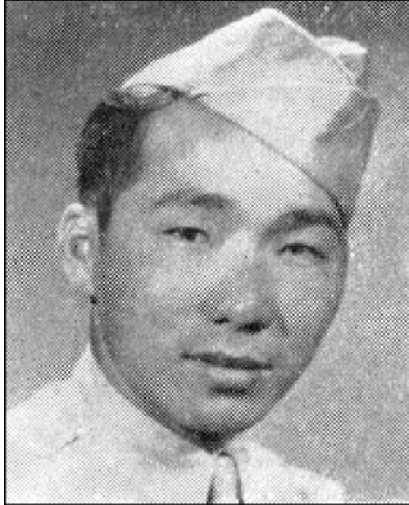


Sgt Richard Kunito Kinoshita

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Richard Kunito Kinoshita was born on August 17, 1916, in Honolulu, Oahu. He was the son of Kenkichi and Sute (Okimoto) Kinoshita. He was educated at Kekaha School, Kauai. Before entering the service, he was employed as a sugar boiler at the Honolulu Plantation Co., Oahu.

Richard Kunito Kinoshita was inducted into the Army on December 20, 1940, at Schofield Barracks, Oahu (Serial number, 30100670). 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, Algeria, and Italy. He was awarded the Purple Heart Medal, Combat Infantryman Badge, American Defense Service Medal, Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal, American and European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medals, and the World War II Victory Medal.

Sgt Richard Kunito Kinoshita was killed in action near Pajilli, Italy, on November 6, 1943, during the Salerno to Cassino Campaign. He is interred at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific (Punchbowl), Honolulu, Hawaii.