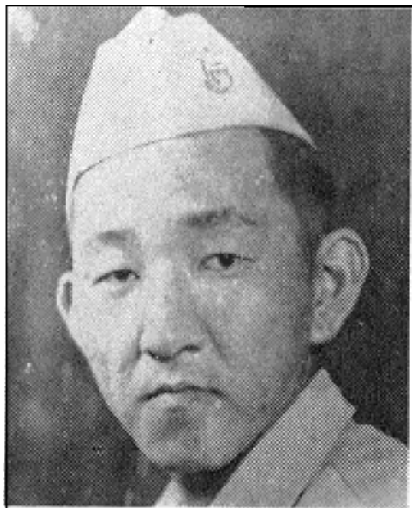


S/Sgt Edward Yorio Kiyota

December 5, 1917 - November 4, 1943



Edward Yorio Kiyota was born on December 5, 1917, in Honolulu, Oahu. He was the son of Makitaro and Hatsue (Matsunaga) Kiyota. He was educated at Palolo School, Liliuokalani Intermediate School, and McKinley High School, Oahu. He married Nellie Kikue Horimoto (of Honolulu), in March 1942. He had a son, Howard Yoriyuki. Before entering the service, he was employed as a carpenter for Contractors, Pacific Naval Air Bases in Kaneohe, Oahu.

Kiyota (SN 30101095) was inducted into the Army in Honolulu, Oahu in March, 1941. He trained at Schofield Barracks, Oahu with the 298th Infantry Regiment. He was later assigned to Company B, 100th Infantry Battalion for advance combat training at Camp McCoy, Wisconsin, and Camp Shelby, Mississippi.

Upon completion of combat training he was dispatched overseas to Algeria, Africa and subsequently participated in the landing at Salerno, Italy and the Italian Campaign.

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.

S/Sgt. Edward Yorio Kiyota was killed in action at Santa Maria Oliveto, near Cassino, Italy, during the Salerno to Cassino Campaign on November 4, 1943.

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

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