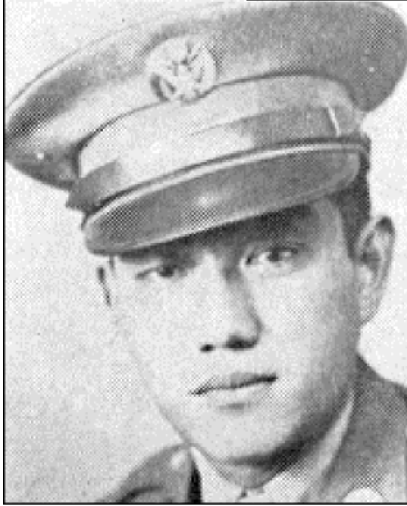


T/Sgt Yoshio Minami
September 26, 1919 - November 2, 1944



Yoshio Minami was born on September 26, 1919, in Kapaa, Kauai. He was the son of Shogoro and Yoshi Minami. He was educated at Kapaa High and Elementary School, Kauai. Before entering the service, he was employed as a foreman for Hawaiian Canneries Co., on Kauai.

Minami (SN 300100449) was inducted into the Army at Lihue, Kauai in December, 1941. He trained at Schofield Barracks, Oahu with the 298th Infantry Regiment. He was later assigned to Headquarters Company, 100th Infantry Battalion for advance combat training at Camp McCoy, Wisconsin and Camp Shelby, Mississippi.

He served in the Hawaiian Islands, continental United States, Algeria, Africa, Italy and France.

He was awarded the Bronze Star, Purple Heart, Distinguished Unit Badge, Combat Infantryman Badge, American Defense Service Medal, Asiatic-Pacific and American and European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medals, and the World War II Victory Medal.

T/Sgt. Yoshio Minami was killed in action near Bruyeres and Biffontaine, France on November 2, 1944.

He is interred at the Kauai County cemetery in Lihue, Kauai, Hawaii.

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