

Cpl Susumu Motoyama

January 1, 1915 - January 24, 1944



Susumu Motoyama was born on January 1, 1915, in Honolulu, Oahu. He was the son of Saisuke and Masu (Konomoto) Motoyama. He was educated at Kuhio School, Washington Intermediate School, and McKinley High School, Oahu. Before entering the service, he was employed as an Art restorer.

Motoyama (SN 30100083) was inducted into the Army on December 9, 1940, in Honolulu, Oahu on December 9, 1940.

He trained at Schofield Barracks, Oahu, Camp McCoy, Wisconsin and Camp Shelby, Mississippi.

He served with the 299th Infantry Regiment and the 100th Infantry Battalion, Company C, in the Hawaiian Island, 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.

Cpl. Susumu Motoyama was killed in action near Cassino, Italy during the Cassino to Anzio Campaign on January 24, 1944.

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

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