Pvt Setsuo Nagano
November 21, 1917 - November 1, 1943

Setsuo Nagano was born in Wainaku, Hilo, Hawaii, on November 21, 1917. He was the son of Katsuji and Mijiu (Aso) Nagano. He was educated at Hilo High School, Hawaii. Before entering the service, he was a bartender at Pearl City Tavern, Oahu.

Nagano (SN 30102175) was inducted into the Army at Honolulu, Oahu in November 15, 1941. He trained at Schofield Barracks, Oahu with the 299th Infantry Regiment. He was later assigned to Company A, 100th Infantry Battalion for advance combat training at Camp McCoy, Wisconsin and Camp Shelby, Mississippi.

Upon completion of combat training in the continental United States, 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, Combat Infantryman Badge, Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal, American Service Medal, American Campaign Medal, European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal, and the World War II Victory Medal.

Pvt. Setsuo Nagano was killed in action near Alvignano, Italy, during the Salerno to Cassino Campaign on November 1, 1943.

He is interred at the Veterans Cemetery, County of Hawaii.

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