Pvt Hitoshi Nagaoka
July 13, 1916 - June 2, 1944

Hitoshi Nagaoka was born in Honolulu, Oahu, on July 13, 1916. He was the son of Chojiro and Haya (Akamatsu) Nagaoka. He was educated at Lunalilo School, Washington Intermediate School, Oahu. Before entering the service, he was a laborer at Hawaiian Dredging Co., Ltd., Honolulu, Oahu.

In March 1941, he was inducted into the Army at Schofield Barracks, Oahu (Serial No. 3010106?). 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 D, in the Hawaiian Islands, continental United States, Algeria, and Italy. He was awarded the Purple Heart, 1 Bronze Oak Leaf Cluster to Purple Heart, American Service Medal, American Defense Service Medal, Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal, American Campaign Medal, European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal, and the World War II Victory Medal.

Pvt Hitoshi Nagaoka was killed in action on June 2, 1944, near Lanuvio, Italy, during the Anzio to Rome Campaign, and is interred at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific (Punchbowl), Honolulu, Hawaii.

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