Saburo B. Nakazato was born in Hakalau, Hawaii, on January 9, 1922. He was the son of Jira and Makato (Kina) Nakazato. He was educated at Hakalau Elementary and Intermediate School; Hilo High School, Hawaii; and University of Hawaii, Oahu. Before entering the service, he was a defense worker for the Army.

In March 1943, he was inducted into the Army at Hilo, Hawaii (Serial No. 30105818). He trained at Camp Shelby, Mississippi. He served with the 442nd Regimental Combat Team and the 100th Infantry Battalion, Company B, in the Hawaiian Islands, continental United States, and Italy. He was awarded the Purple Heart, one Bronze Cluster to the Purple Heart, Combat Infantryman Badge, European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal, and the World War II Victory Medal.

Pfc Saburo B. Nakazato was killed in action on July 9, 1944, near Modella and Leghorn, Italy, during the Rome-Arno campaign, and is interred at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific (Punchbowl), Honolulu, Hawaii.

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