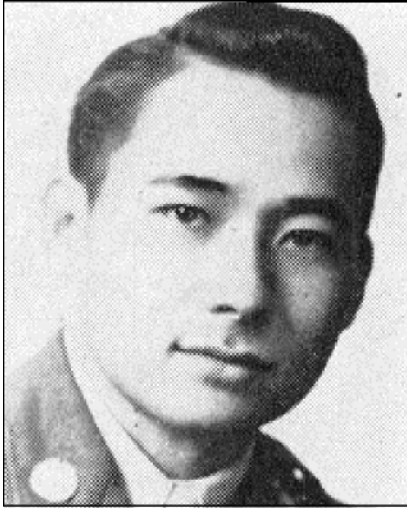


## **Sgt George Yoshio Ozawa**

October 24, 1917 - October 21, 1943



George Y. Ozawa was born in Honolulu, Oahu, on October 24, 1917. He was the son of Takao and Masako Edith (Takeya) Ozawa. He was educated at Aliiolani School, Roosevelt High School in Oahu. Before entering the service, he was a filing clerk at Lewers & Cooke, Ltd. in Honolulu, Oahu.

Ozawa (SN 30101663) was inducted into the Army at Honolulu, Oahu in June 30, 1941. He took basic training at Schofield Barracks, Oahu and advance combat training at Camp McCoy, Wisconsin and Camp Shelby, Mississippi.

He served with the 298<sup>th</sup> Infantry Regiment and later transferred to Company A, 100<sup>th</sup> Infantry Battalion during advance combat training. He served in the Hawaiian Islands, continental United States, Algeria, Africa and the Italian Campaign.

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

Sgt. George Y. Ozawa was killed in action near Leonardo, Italy during the Salerno to Cassino Campaign on October 21, 1943.

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

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