Sgt David Isami Suda
July 11, 1916 - May 24, 1944

David Isami Suda was born July 11, 1916, in Pauwela, Maui. He was the son of Isaku and Toku (Abe) Suda. He was educated at Haiku School, Maui. Before entering the service, he was a laborer at Libby, McNeill & Libby, Maui.

On March 24, 1941, David Isami Suda was inducted into the Army at Schofield Barracks, Oahu (Serial No. 30101285). He trained at Schofield Barracks, Oahu; Camp McCoy, Wisconsin; and Camp Shelby, Mississippi. He served in the 299th Infantry Regiment and the 100th Infantry Battalion, Company C, in the continental United States, Algeria and Italy. He was awarded the Purple Heart Medal, American Defense Service Medal, Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal, American Campaign Medal, European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal, and World War II Victory Medal.

Sergeant David Isami Suda was killed in action near Cisterna, Italy, on May 24, 1944, during the Anzio to Rome Campaign, and is interred at the Maui Veterans Cemetery, Makawao, Maui.

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