1st Lt Theodore Teruo Sueoka
May 9, 1911 - June 2, 1944

Theodore T. Sueoka was born in Honolulu, Oahu, on May 11, 1915. He was the son of Akizuchi and Mura (Iwasaki) Sueoka. He was educated at Kaahumanu School; Mid-Pacific Institute; and University of Hawaii, Oahu. He married Mildred Michiye Awaya (of Honolulu), December 25, 1937; daughter, Cynthia. Before entering the service, he was a cashier at Hawaii Brewing Co., Ltd., Honolulu, Oahu.

Commissioned in Army Reserve Officers’ Corps, June 1937, University of Hawaii; called to active duty, March 1943 (Serial No. 30353471). He trained at Camp Shelby, Mississippi, Fort Benning, Georgia. He served with the 442nd Regimental Combat Team, 100th Infantry Battalion, 1st Battalion, Company C, in the continental United States and Italy. He was awarded the Purple Heart, European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal, and the World War II Victory Medal.

1st Lt Theodore T. Sueoka was killed in action on June 2, 1944, near Lanuvio and Anzio, in 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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