

Pfc Hitoshi Bob Taguchi
February 9, 1920 - November 30, 1943



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Hitoshi Bob Taguchi was born in Wainee, Lahaina, Maui, on February 9, 1920. He was the son of Masaroku and Umeyo (Ogawa) Taguchi. He was educated at Kamehameha III School in Maui. Before entering the service, he was employed as a crane operator at Pioneer Mill Co. Ltd. in Maui.

On November 13, 1941, Hitoshi Bob Taguchi was inducted into the Army at Lahaina, Maui (Serial number 30101781). He trained at Schofield Barracks, Oahu; Camp Paukukalo, Maui; Camp McCoy, Wisconsin; and Camp Shelby, Mississippi. He served with the 299th Infantry Regiment and the 100th Infantry Battalion, D Company, in the Hawaiian Islands, continental United States, Algeria, and Italy. He was awarded the Purple Heart Medal, Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal, American Campaign Medal, European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal, and the World War II Victory Medal.

Pfc Hitoshi Bob Taguchi was killed in action on November 30, 1943, near Scapoli and Colli, Italy, in the Salerno to Cassino Campaign, and is interred at the Makawao Veterans Cemetery in Maui, Hawaii.