Pvt Shoichi Takehara
February 28, 1924 - April 5, 1945

Born February 28, 1924 in Fife, Washington to Mr. and Mrs. Yutaro Takehara. Brother of George, David, Tom and Sachi Takehara. Attended elementary and high school in Fife. Entered active military service in July 1944 and trained at Camp Blanding, Florida. Joined the 442nd RCT and was killed in action in Italy on April 5, 1945. Takehara was the recipient of the Combat Infantryman’s Badge, Bronze Star, Purple Heart, Victory Medal, American Theatre Service Medal, and European-African-Middle Eastern Theatre Service Medal. Buried in Tacoma, Washington.