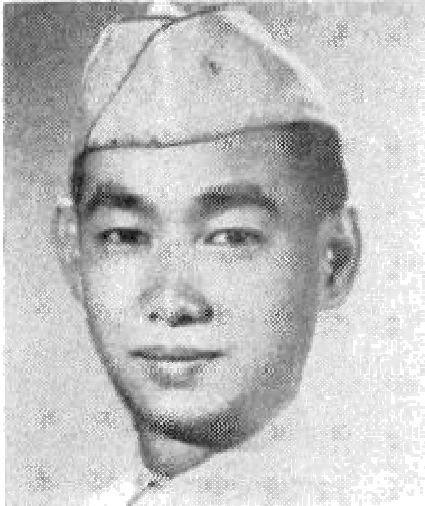


## **Sgt Teruto Tanimoto**

February 15, 1918 - December 3, 1943



Teruto Tanimoto was born on February 15, 1918, in Paia, Maui. He was the son of Katsuichi and Toshiko Tanimoto. He was educated at Paia School and Maui High School in Maui. Before entering the service, he was employed as a survey rod man for Maui Agricultural Co., Ltd.

Tanimoto (SN 30101284) was inducted into the Army at Wailuku, Maui on March 24, 1941. 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 100<sup>th</sup> Infantry Battalion, Company C, in the Hawaiian Islands, the continental United States, Algeria, Africa and Italy.

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

Sgt. Teruto Tanimoto was killed in action near Ceresuolo and Cassino, Italy, during the Salerno to Cassino Campaign on December 3, 1943.

He is interred at the Makawao Veterans Cemetery in Makawao, Maui.

Excerpts taken from *In Freedom's Cause: A Record of the Men of Hawaii Who Died in the Second World War* (1949) with permission from The University of Hawaii Press.  
Russell K. Shoho