

## **S/Sgt Shiro Togo**

August 23, 1918 - October 24, 1944



Shiro Togo was born in Kahuku, Oahu on August 23, 1918. He was the son of Kiyoji and Teruyo (Kaya) Togo. He was educated at Kahuku High and Elementary School in Oahu. Before entering the service, he was employed by Contractors, Pacific Naval Bases, in Honolulu, as a carpenter.

Togo (SN 30100306) was inducted into the Army in Honolulu in December, 1940. He trained at Schofield Barracks Oahu. Later he was assigned to Company A, 100th Infantry Battalion for advance combat training at Camp McCoy, Wisconsin and Camp Shelby, Mississippi.

Upon completion of combat training in the continental United States, he was dispatched overseas to Algeria, Africa and subsequently participated in the landing at Salerno, Italy and the Italian Campaign.

He was awarded the Bronze Star Medal, Purple Heart Medal, Combat Infantryman Badge, Distinguished Unit Badge, 1 Bronze Oak-Leaf Cluster to Distinguished Unit Badge, American Defense Service Medal, Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal, American Campaign Medal, European-African-Middle Eastern Campaign Medal, and the World War II Victory Medal.

S/Sgt. Shiro Togo was killed in action near Belmont, France, on October 24, 1944.

He is interred at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific at Punchbowl in Honolulu, Hawaii.

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