

Sgt Kazumi Uemoto

January 7, 1915 - November 30, 1943



Kazumi Uemoto was born in Waiakea, Hawaii, on January 7, 1915. He was the son of Sawataro and Kazu (Inouye) Uemoto. He was educated at Kauluwela School and Central Intermediate School in Oahu. Before joining the military, he was employed by B. Hayashi, Ltd. of Honolulu as a carpenter,

Uemoto (SN 30100230) was inducted into the military at Schofield Barracks, Oahu on December 10, 1940. He was trained at Schofield Barracks, Oahu and served with the 298th Infantry Regiment. He was re-assigned to Company C, 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 Combat Infantryman 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.

Sgt. Kazumi Uemoto died of injuries received in the Salerno to Cassino Campaign near Scapoli and Cassino, Italy, on November 30, 1943.

He is interred at the National Memorial Cemetery of the Pacific (Punchbowl) in Honolulu, Oahu.

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