## Pvt. Patrick Mitsuru Tokushima May 28,1920 - June 2,1944



Patrick Mitsuru Tokushima was born in Honolulu on May 28, 1920. He was the son of Masafude and Misao (Tokushima) Tokushima. He was educated at Royal School, Central Intermediate School and McKinley High School in Oahu. Before entering the service he was employed by American Factors, Ltd. in Honolulu as a stock clerk.

Tokushima (SN 30102250) was inducted into the Army Schofield Barracks, Oahu on November, 1941. He served with the 298th Regiment in Hawaii.

He was later assigned to Company B, 100th Infantry Battalion for advance combat training at Camp McCoy, Wisconsin and Camp

Shelby, Mississippi. He served in the Hawaiian Island, 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 WWII Victory Medal.

Pvt. Patrick Mitsuru Tokushima was killed in action near Casalpozzo and Lanuvio, Italy, in the Anzio to Rome Campaign on June 2, 1944.

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

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## NISEI BUDDIES KILLED SAME DAY ON ROME OUTSKIRTS

Two Nisei buddies who were like brothers were killed in action in Italy on June 2, 1944. Pfc. Henry Mamoru Terada and Pvt. Patrick Mitsuru Tokushima, both members of Company B of the 100th Infantry Battalion were killed on the same day just outside Rome. Both were born in Honolulu and both graduated from McKinley High School and in November 1941 both were inducted into the Army.

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