

PVT Tom Takashi Misumi

1924 - 1944

Tom Misumi was born in 1924 in Irvington, CA. Tom's mother passed away in 1930, leaving him and his five siblings motherless.

When the war broke out, the three youngest children, including Tom, were sent to Topaz.

Tom enlisted in June 1943. He served as an infantryman in Company F.

Tom was killed in action on July 6, 1944 in Italy. He was the second soldier killed in action from Topaz. He was only 20 years old.

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Mrs. Ruth Durfey, Mrs. Reva Jackson, Phyllis Marrott, and a brother, Kay Marrott, all of Provo.

Topaz Soldier Killed In Italy Theater

Pvt. Tom T. Misumi, son of Fukujiro K. Misumi, Topaz, Japanese-American soldier, was killed in Italy. He was born March 15, 1924, enlisted in the army in January, 1943, trained at Camp Shelby, Miss., and was assigned overseas last June.

He is survived by his father, five sisters and a brother.

MISUMI, SECOND VOLUNTEER TO BE KILLED IN ITALY

Pvt. Tom T. Misumi of the 442nd Infantry Regiment was killed in action in Italy on July 6, according to a wire received from the War Department by his father, Fukujiro Misu-

mi, 6-5-F, on Tuesday. Pvt. Misumi is the second Topaz volunteer to die in the Italian campaign.

He was killed in action during the Fifth Army's drive on the port of Livorno. The 20-year-old youth, formerly of Oakland, volunteered last year and was stationed at Camp Shelby before going overseas.

Aside from his father, Misumi is survived by sisters, Betty, Irene, Mrs. Kazuko Hironaka, Mrs. Grace Nakano, Mrs. Shizumi Tominaga; and a brother, Fred.

A memorial service is expected to be held here when members of family who are relocated arrive here.

It was also reported that four other nisei soldiers with relatives in Topaz were wounded in the same drive. They are Eddie Iino, son of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Iino, 32-6-B; Takeshi Yatabe, husband of Mrs. Kuni Yatabe, 26-5-E, and son of Mr. and Mrs. Kozo Yatabe, 11-10-A; Tom Sagimori, son of Mr. and Mrs. Tomijiro Sagimori, 4-11-B; and William Ishida, son of Mr. and Mrs. Jusanta Ishida, 33-2-D.

STUDENT RELO

C. FUKUOKA, TANI TO VISIT TOPAZ

Two relocated students, both formerly of Topaz, will arrive here tomorrow to relate their experiences and to encourage other young people to go out to school, it was reported today by Junko Kodani, student relocation counselor.

The two students, Chiyo-ko Fukuoka, who is attending Pratt Institute in New York City, and Paul Tani, who is enrolled at Heidelberg College in Tiffin, Ohio, will remain here for six weeks. Miss Fukuoka is being sent by the American Baptist Home Mission Society and Paul is sponsored by the Evangelical and Reformed Church.

The visit of the 2 students was initiated by the student relocation council, it was reported.

