Kenji Roy Yokoro

1940 - 1943

Kenji Roy Yokoro was born to an issei father and nisei mother. Kenji's father, Masari, emigrated from Hiroshima, Japan in 1916. His mother, Shizuye, was born in Fresno. Kenji had one older brother, Mark.

Tragically, Kenji died at the age of three when he was struck and killed by a gargbage truck in Topaz. He was survived by both his parents and older brother. A year later, the Yokoro's had another son named Takanori.



TRUCK RUNS OVER BOY, 3

Little Kenji Yokoro, 3
year old son of Ir. and
Irs. Masaru Yokoro of 1211-A, lost his life yesterday morning when the front
wheel of a garbage truck
passed over his body. The
accident occurred at 10
o'clock on the road botween dining halls 1 and 8.

According to reports issued from the project attorney's office, the boy
left his father's side to
cross the street where a
plumbing crew was at work.
Then Yokoro called his son
back, the boy turned and
darted in front of the
approaching truck.

The driver and the father rushed the victim to the hospital where he died at 10:55 AM.

County authorities were immediately notified to investigate the accident. After the circumstances were reviewed, it was determined that no action was warranted.