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Sasano, Toshio
SN 30 102 354

20 September 1956

Mrs. Fumiye Sakaguchi
431-B Kalama Street
Lamikai, Oahu, Territory of Hawaii

Dear Mrs. Sakaguchi:

This has reference to your letter of 13 September 1956 concerning your brother, the late Private Toshio Sasano.

Our records indicate that your brother was killed in action on 25 January 1944, while serving with the 100th Infantry Battalion, in the vicinity of Cassino, Italy.

Subsequent to Private Sasano's death, our Graves Registration Service conducted extensive searches and investigations over the area where the 100th Infantry Battalion had fought. All unidentified deceased recovered as a result of these operations were removed to our laboratories overseas for scientific examinations against the Army medical and dental records of our casualties who were missing in the general area. It is regretted, however, that none of the deceased could be identified as Private Sasano.

At the time of the investigation, civilian and public officials in Cassino as well as nearby localities were interrogated; they stated that, to the best of their knowledge, no remains of American soldiers were left above ground or were buried in isolated graves or in the local cemeteries in the vicinity. Since all searches and investigations have failed to recover remains identifiable as those of your brother, it was necessary for the Department of the Army to conclude that his remains are not recoverable.

I can well understand your feelings regarding your brother, and I deeply regret the necessity of informing you that there is no grave at which to pay homage. It is, however, my sincere hope that the knowledge of his honorable service to our country will be a source of pride and sustaining comfort to you.

Sincerely yours,

R. J. THOMAS
Lt Colonel, QMC
Memorial Division

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431-B Kalama Street
Lanikai, Oahu, Hawaii
September 13, 1956

RE: SASANO, Toshio
Serial Number: 30 102 354

Memorial Division
The Quartermaster General
Department of the Army
Washington 25, D. C.

RE: Return of remains

Gentlemen:

Please inform me whether remains of my late brother has been located. When I wrote for the above information approximately four years ago, I was told to wait for further information.

If there has been any new development, I should appreciate being informed.

For your information my brother was killed in action on January 23, 1944, at Casino, Italy in World War II. He was a member of the 100th Infantry Battalion at the time of death.

Very truly yours,

(Mrs.) Fumiye SAKAGUCHI

Mrs. Fumiye Sakaguchi

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AIR MAIL

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*Edwards
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REQUEST FOR INFORMATION

TO: <i>PENTAGON LIAISON SECTION, MEMORIAL DIVISION</i>		DATE <i>2 May 1950</i>	
FROM (Branch and Section) <i>Correspondence and Resol Sec</i>	REQUESTED BY <i>C. Keiser</i>	TEL. EXT. <i>4428</i>	ROOM NO. <i>2530-B</i>
NAME OF DECEDENT (Last, First, Middle Initial) <i>293 Sasano, Tshio</i>	RANK <i>Pvt</i>	SERIAL NUMBER <i>30 102 354</i>	

INFORMATION REQUIRED

Current address of parents

INFORMATION FURNISHED *from Veterans Administration*

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PENTAGON LIAISON SECTION OFFICER (Signature)

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23 March 1950

293 Sasano,

Mr. Stanley K. Masumoto
Staff Worker, Territorial Council of
Veterans Affairs,
Post Office Box 37
Wailuku, Maui, Territory of Hawaii

Dear Mr. Masumoto:

In view of your past expressed interest in the case of the late
Private First Class Taro Tonai, in behalf of the mother, Mrs. Yuki
Tonai, Wailuku, Maui, Territory of Hawaii, the inclosed letter dated
23 March 1950 to Mrs. Tonai is forwarded for your information.

Your assistance in furnishing information and material to aid
in the search for the remains of Private Tonai is greatly ap-
preciated.

Sincerely yours,

GEO. W. HINMAN, JR.
Colonel, QMC
Memorial Division

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293 Sasano, Tashio

Mr. Maoji Yamagata
Executive Secretary, Club 100
1444 Nuuanu Avenue
Post Office Box 1636
Honolulu, Hawaii

Dear Mr. Yamagata:

In view of your past expressed interest in assisting the families of men who served with the 100th Infantry Battalion to convey their wishes to the Army, this letter is to inform you of our latest action concerning the case of the late Private Tashio Sasano and of the late Private First Class Taro Tonai.

Inclosed are copies of our two letters dated 23 March 1950 one to Mrs. Fumiyo Sakaguchi, sister of Private Sasano and the other to Mr. and Mrs. Himomu Tonai, parents of Private Tonai. These copies are forwarded in order that you may keep your records current.

Sincerely yours,

GEO. W. HINMAN, JR.
Colonel, QMC
Memorial Division

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1 - Ltr 23 Mar to Mrs. Fumiyo Sakaguchi
2 - Ltr 23 Mar to Mr. and Mrs. Himomu Tonai

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Sasano, Toshio
SN 30 102 354

23 March 1950

Mrs. Fumiyo Sakaguchi
c/o Ace Food Center
3048 Kapiolani Boulevard
Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii

Dear Mrs. Sakaguchi:

This office desires to furnish you information concerning the final determination which has been made in the case of your brother, the late Private Toshio Sasano.

According to the records on file in this office and reports received from our oversea Command, your brother, who was with the 100th Infantry Battalion, was killed in action on 25 January 1944 in the vicinity of Cassino, Italy. Subsequent to his reported death, units of the American Graves Registration Service thoroughly searched the battle-ground in the vicinity of Cassino on which the 100th Infantry Battalion had fought; however, the identifiable remains of your brother were not located.

At the time of this investigation, civilian and public officials in Cassino as well as in ten other localities were interrogated; they stated that, to the best of their knowledge, no remains of American soldiers were left above ground, or were buried in isolated graves or in the local cemeteries in the vicinity.

The unidentified remains which were recovered by our Graves Registration personnel from the Cassino area were removed to United States Military Cemeteries for investigations to establish, if possible, individual identifications. The dental information and other identifying media pertaining to these remains were compared with physical data listed for your brother in his Army records; however, none the recovered remains could be associated with him.

At a later date, Mr. Naogi Yamagata, who was with your brother at the time of his death, indicated on an overlay map the exact area in which death had occurred. Based on this additional information, in December 1949 further investigation was conducted by an Officer of the American Graves Registration Service in another attempt to locate the remains of your brother. In his report of the investigation, this Officer

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In a final attempt to locate and/or identify your brother's remains, all available identification data relative to him was again compared with those pertaining to all unidentified remains recovered from the entire Cassino area, as well as those recovered from Southern and Central Italy; however, it was still impossible to identify any of these remains as those of your brother.

After full consideration of the negative results of the extensive searching operations and the fact that none of the remains which have been recovered can be identified as those of your brother, the Department of the Army has been forced to determine that his remains are not recoverable. I wish to assure you that, should any additional evidence come to our attention indicating that the remains of your brother are in our possession, you will be informed immediately.

It is not easy to express condolence to you realizing that you have given a loved one under circumstances so difficult that there is no grave at which to pay homage. It is my sincere hope, however, that the knowledge that thorough investigations were conducted in an effort to locate the remains of your brother will, with the passage of time, be a source of sustaining comfort in your sorrow.

Sincerely yours,

L. W. ALLEN
Lt. Colonel, QMC
Memorial Division

AIR MAIL

ONCMP 293
Sasano, Toshio
SN 30 102 354

23 March 1950

Mr. and Mrs. Toraichi Sasano
Okayama-ken, Japan

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Sasano:

This office desires to furnish you information concerning the final determination which has been made in the case of your son, the late Private Toshio Sasano.

According to the records on file in this office and reports received from our oversea Command, your son, who was with the 100th Infantry Battalion, was killed in action on 25 January 1944 in the vicinity of Cassino, Italy. Subsequent to his reported death, units of the American Graves Registration Service thoroughly searched the battleground in the vicinity of Cassino on which the 100th Infantry Battalion had fought; however, the identifiable remains of your son were not located.

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Memorial Division

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AIR MAIL

QMCRF 293
Sasano, Toshio
SN 30 102 354

23 March 1950

Mr. and Mrs. Toraiichi Sasano

Okayama-ken, Japan

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Sasano:

This office desires to furnish you information concerning the final determination which has been made in the case of your son, the late Private Toshio Sasano.

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At the time of this investigation, civilian and public officials in Cassino as well as in ten other localities were interrogated; they stated that, to the best of their knowledge, no remains of American soldiers were left above ground, or were buried in isolated graves or in the local cemeteries in the vicinity.

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L. W. ALLEN
Lt. Colonel, QMC
Memorial Division

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AIR MAIL

QMGMF 293
Tonai, Taro
SN 30 102 151

23 March 1950

Mr. and Mrs. Hiromu Tonai
Wailuku, Maui
Territory of Hawaii

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Tonai:

This office desires to furnish you information concerning the final determination which has been made in the case of your son, the late Private First Class Taro Tonai.

According to the records on file in this office and reports received from our oversea Command, your son, who was with the 100th Infantry Battalion, was killed in action on 26 January 1944 in the vicinity of Cassino, Italy. Subsequent to his reported death, units of the American Graves Registration Service thoroughly searched the battleground in the vicinity of Cassino on which the 100th Infantry Battalion had fought; however, the identifiable remains of your son were not located.

At the time of this investigation, civilian and public officials in Cassino and in eight other localities were interrogated; they asserted that, to the best of their knowledge, no remains of American soldiers were left above ground or were buried in isolated graves or in the local cemeteries in the vicinity.

The unidentified remains which were recovered by our Graves Registration personnel from the Cassino area were removed to United States Military Cemeteries for investigations to establish, if possible, individual identifications. The dental information and other identifying media pertaining to these remains were compared with physical data listed for your son in his Army Records; however, none of the recovered remains could be associated with him.

At a later date, an overlay map, a sketch, and photographs showing the exact area and the site on which your son met his death were furnished this office by your son's Platoon Sergeant and other members of his Company. Based on this additional information, in December 1949 further investigation was conducted by an Officer of the American Graves Registration Service in another effort to locate the remains of your son. In his report of the investigation, this officer stated that the overlay map furnished

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was extremely accurate and he encountered no difficulty in locating the area where your son reportedly met his death. This area is situated three kilometers west of Cassino on the road to Atina and is known as Ciminio Section. The reported site of death is part of a large farm.

Interrogation of the man who now resides on the farm revealed that he had no knowledge of any soldier being killed on, or removed from, the farm. During hostilities, all occupants of the area had been forced to leave their homes; consequently, other native residents questioned by the Investigator knew nothing of the combat which had taken place. It was also learned that the farm, including the area where your son was reported killed, has been cultivated since hostilities ceased, but no remains have been found. A further search of the vicinity failed to reveal any clues whatever.

In a final attempt to locate and/or identify your son's remains, all available identification data relative to him was again compared with those pertaining to all unidentified remains recovered from the entire Cassino area, as well as those recovered from Southern and Central Italy. The information contained in the report of dental work furnished by your son's civilian dentist was also utilized in this investigation. The results were still unsuccessful, however, inasmuch as none of the remains could be identified as those of your son.

After full consideration of the negative results of the extensive searching operations and the fact that none of the remains which have been recovered can be identified as those of your son, the Department of the Army has been forced to determine that his remains are not recoverable. I wish to assure you that, should any additional evidence come to our attention indicating that the remains of your son are in our possession, you will be informed immediately.

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Sincerely yours,

L. W. ALLEN
 Lt. Colonel, QMC
 Memorial Division

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Sasano, Toshio
SN 30 102 354

23 March 1950

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Okayama-ken, Japan

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L. W. ALLEN
Lt. Colonel, OMC
Memorial Division

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Draft approved 21 March by Colonel Hinman.

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AIR MAIL

NON-RECOVERABLE CASE RECORD OF REVIEW AND APPROVAL		CASE NUMBER 4483 (1)
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NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) SASANO, Toshio	RANK Pvt.	SERIAL NUMBER 30 102 354
THE ATTACHED PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIELD BOARD OF REVIEW HAVE BEEN REVIEWED AND THE FINDINGS OF NON-RECOVERABILITY OF THE REMAINS OF THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUAL(S) ARE APPROVED. (Corrections in name, rank, and/or serial number have been effected when appropriate.)		
Individual Case		
IN THE COURSE OF THIS REVIEW THE FOLLOWING SOURCES OF INFORMATION HAVE BEEN EXAMINED FOR ADDITIONAL CLUES. COPIES OF ANY DOCUMENTS BELIEVED MATERIAL TO THE CASE ARE ATTACHED FOLLOWING THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIELD BOARD OF REVIEW.		
1. 293 FILE OF SUBJECT(S)	INITIALS OF ANALYST VAT	(CROSS OUT THOSE NOT APPLICABLE) 2. a. REPORT OF DEATH b. FINDING OF DEATH c. STATUS REVIEW & DETERMINATION VAT
3. A - Z FILE OF KNOWN INTERMENTS IN U.S. MILITARY CEMETERIES, ISOLATED LOCATIONS, AND SEA BURIALS	VAT	4. GEOGRAPHICAL CLUE INDEX FILE OF UNKNOWN RECOVERED FROM APPROPRIATE AREA VAT
5. ALPHABETICAL INDEX OF "BELIEVED TO BE" AND TENTATIVELY IDENTIFIED UNKNOWN	VAT	6. ALPHABETICAL FILE OF FORMER UNKNOWN NOW IDENTIFIED VAT
7. OTHER DOCUMENTS OR SOURCES None		
THE FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES HAVE BEEN FOUND TO BE SUBSTANTIALLY AS PRESENTED IN THE ATTACHED PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIELD BOARD OF REVIEW, WITH THE FOLLOWING EXCEPTIONS:		
<p>The remains of Pfc Richard M. Honda, 30 100 958 were recovered and positively identified.</p> <p>See attached Statement of Investigation</p>		
NAME OF CASE ANALYST Vincent A. Thomas Vincent A. Thomas/lj	CASE TO BE FORWARDED TO <u>Repatriation Br., Correspondence Sec.</u> FOR CONSIDERATION OF NOTIFICATION TO INTERESTED PARTIES.	
RECOMMEND APPROVAL	APPROVED	DATE
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		13 Feb 50

SASANO, Toshio

STATEMENT OF INVESTIGATION

1. Pvt. Toshio Sasano, 30 102 354, a member of the 100th Infantry Battalion (Sep) was reported to have been killed in the vicinity of Cassino, Italy on 25 January 1944. The identifiable remains of the decedent were never recovered.

2. The records of the 100th Inf. Bn. indicate that the 133rd Inf. Regt. initiated the first attack against Cassino by way of the Rapido River on 24 January 1944. After a barrage of an hour and twenty minutes, the 100th Inf. Bn. jumped off with Companies "A" and "C" leading, along with the elements of the Ammunition and Pioneer platoon. By the following morning, the two companies had gained the river wall, and established a Line of Departure. Company "B", which had secured the original Line of Departure was moved up to force the river line. The company was caught in a terrific artillery concentration, and only fourteen men reached the river. The remainder were killed, wounded, driven back, or forced to find shelter where they could. Still the order was to attack.

3. The remains of Pvt Sasano were declared non-recoverable by AGRS Mediterranean Zone Board of Review on 12 May 1948, and the finding of Non-recoverability was approved by this Office on 22 June 1949. However, additional information submitted by Mr. Naogi Yamagata warranted the reopening of the case.

4. The exact location of the place in which Pvt. Toshio Sasano was killed is shown on overlay map of the area. (Tab A) Mr. Naogi Yamagata, Executive Officer, Club 100, who served in Company A, 100th Inf. Bn. with the decedent has knowledge of the circumstances surrounding the death of the decedent. He is in substantial agreement that the place of death was as indicated.

5. A search of the battleground of the 100th Inf. Bn. and the 133rd Inf. Regt. in the vicinity of Cassino was conducted in September 1947 by AGRS Searching Team without results. (Tab B) Additional information which might lead to the recovery of the remains of Pvt. Sasano was furnished to the field. A further search of the area and the interrogation of the natives have resulted neither in the recovery of the remains nor any additional information which would lead to their recovery. (Tab C)

6. The remains of the decedent might very possibly have been destroyed or rendered unidentifiable by the enemy bombardment subsequent to his death since the area in which he was killed was subjected to intense mortar and artillery fire.

7. Attempts to identify the remains of Unknown X-119, Fratelle with the decedent were made by Identification Branch. However, no possible association was made.

8. Efforts to associate all available identification data relative to subject deceased with those of all unknowns recovered from the entire Cassino area and the areas of Southern and Central Italy have met with negative results, thereby confirming the Findings and substantiating the recommendations made by the Overseas Board.

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VINCENT A. THOMAS
Investigator

QMGMU 293

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Sasano, Toshio, 30102354

~~SUBJECT:~~ Request for Information Which May Lead to the Recovery of Remains (Sasano, Toshio).

Hq, 9107 TSU-QMC, AGRS/MZ, APO 794, U. S. Army, 20 December 1949.

TO: The Quartermaster General, Department of the Army, Washington 25, D.C.
Attn: Memorial Division.

1. Inclosed herewith is a Report of Investigation conducted in an attempt to locate the remains of Pvt. Toshio Sasano, 30102354.


2. Another attempt was made to establish Pvt. Sasano's identity through comparison of identification data on OQMG Form 371 for subject casualty with like data on CIL Reports for unknown deceased recovered from areas of Southern and Central Italy without effecting favorable associations.

3. Although interment records reveal several unknown deceased were recovered within a mile radius of the location indicated on inclosed Map Sketch, complete lack of dental and other identification data on CIL Reports for the deceased does not permit positive association.

4. Based on inclosed report, request Non-Recoverable Proceedings for Pvt. Sasano dated 12 May 1948 be considered.

5. Another attempt is being made to locate and recover the remains of Pfc. Richard M. Honda, 30100958. Information concerning Pfc. Taro Tonai, 30102151 will be the subject of a separate communication.

FOR THE COMMANDING OFFICER:



JOHN L. JACNS, JR.
Captain QMC
Graves Records Officer.

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Sasano, Toshio, 30 102 354

SUBJECT: Request for Information Which May Lead to the Recovery of Remains (Sasano, Toshio)

Dept. of the Army, OQMG, Washington 25, D. C., 10 November 1949

TO: Commanding Officer, AGRS, Mediterranean Zone, APO 794, c/o Postmaster, New York, New York

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Tonai, Taro	Pfc	30 102 151

It is believed that these cases may be correlated for a single field trip.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL FELDMAN:

T. H. METZ
Lt Colonel, QMG
Memorial Division

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FOR THE ACTING THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL:

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- 2. Cy of Hist. Info, 100th Inf Bn, for 25 Jan 44

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 Lt Colonel, QMC
 Memorial Division

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Headquarters, American Graves Registration Service, Pacific Zone, APO 958, 20 September 1949

TO: The Quartermaster General, Dept. of the Army, Washington 25, D. C.

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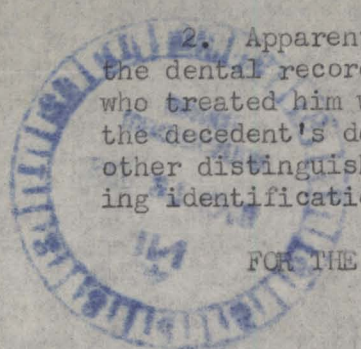
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DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

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CLUB 100
AN INCORPORATED ASSOCIATION OF MEMBERS
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100TH INFANTRY BATTALION
HONOLULU, HAWAII
AUGUST 9, 1949

Branches:
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The Quartermaster General
U. S. Graves Registration Service
Washington 25, D. C.

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Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Club 100

s/t/Naoji Yamagata
Executive Secretary

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SASANO, TOSHIO, 30102354

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100th INFANTRY BATTALION (Sep)
HEADQUARTERS 442D REGIMENTAL COMBAT TEAM
APO #782, U. S. ARMY

SUBJECT: Historical Information.

Early morning of the 25th, Company B, which had secured the initial line of departure, was ordered to the river banks. Carrying two ladders to be used in scaling the river wall and for a crossing of the river, the company started across the flats but the enemy were on the lookout. When B Company was at the half-way point they laid onto by machine gun, mortar and artillery fire. The oncoming men were frustrated. Only 14 men, including Captain Pye and six men of the first platoon, Lt. James Boodry and five men of the second platoon and the company commander, Captain Takahashi, reached the banks. The rest of the company either withdrew to the rear or were forced to remain on the flats. Some sought shelter in ditches and defilades, and quickly dug-in. Here they stayed in their foxholes for a day and a half, finally pulling back on the night of the 26th.

LOSSES IN ACTION: OFFICERS AND MEN
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(2) Names:
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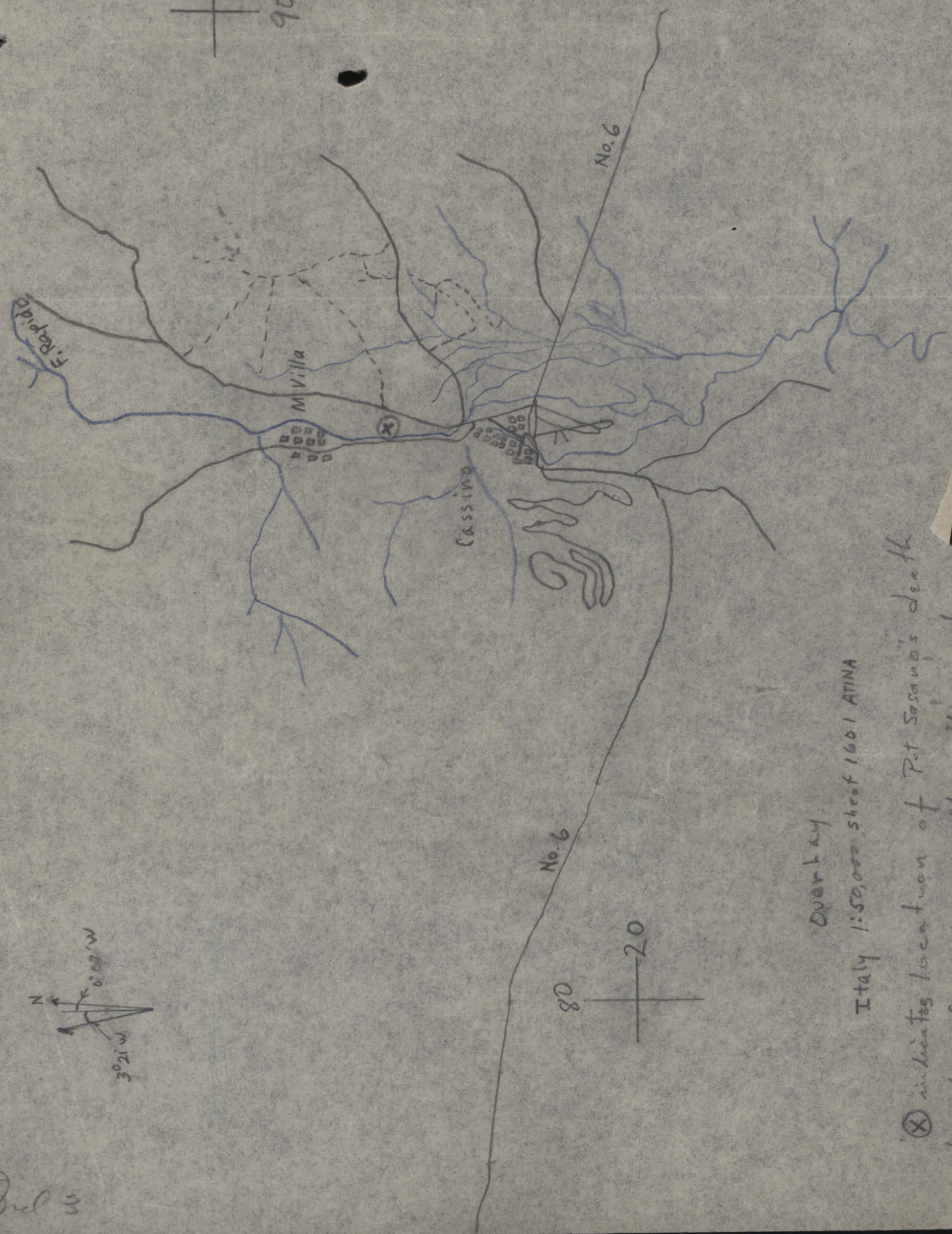
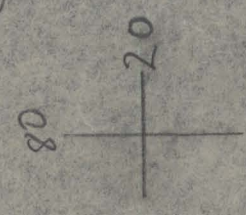
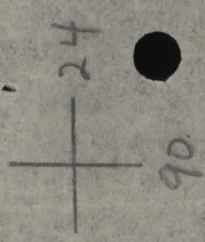
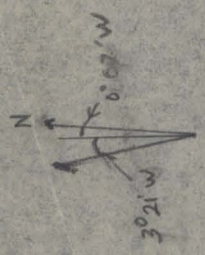
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BATTLES:

- (1) Name: Attack on Gustav Line (Cassino, Italy)
- (2) Place: Cassino Heights.
- (3) Date: 24 January 1944 to 31 January 1944.
- (4) Campaign of which battle was a part: Italy.
- (5) Forces engaged: 44th Infantry Division (German)
5th Co., 71st Panzer Grenadier Regiment
4th Battery, 96th Regiment
2d Company, 80th Engineers
- (6) Result: Secured bridgehead across Rapido River and at close of period was resuming attack on Cassino.

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HEADQUARTERS
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 APO 794 US ARMY

9 December 1949

SUBJECT : Report of Investigation, Pvt. TOSHIO SASANO, 30102354, Deceased
 TO : Graves Records Officer, Hq 9107 TSU-QMC
 THRU : Commanding Officer, 9107 TSU-QMC

1. At 1030 hours, Sunday, 4 December 1949, I arrived at the area where Pvt. Sasano was reported to have been killed in action per overlay furnished.

2. The area designated as the place of death consists of a long flat stretch of farm land approximately 5/8ths of mile long, and 1/2 mile wide. This area has been farmed since the end of hostilities and is owned in small parcels by many owners. All present habitants of the area admitted upon interrogation that they had been forced to evacuate the area and had no knowledge of any remains having since been found in the vicinity.

3. A stone wall approximately 7 feet high separating the flat farm land from the Rapido River was partially destroyed. Upon repairing this wall, after the war, the course of the Rapido River was changed so as to be of use for irrigation and power purposes. I climbed the wall, and proceeded to walk on the top of the wall for about a 1/2 mile. The wall is covered with vines and is about 1 1/2 feet wide. The farm land extends right to the wall and is presently under cultivation. The land is well farmed and searching of the area was accomplished with negative results.

4. Inasmuch as the flat farm land extends for such a distance, and that no specific spot of death is known, it was deemed impracticable to attempt to dig at any one site.

5. It is recommended that due to the limited information available, as to place of death of deceased, that the remains of Pvt. Toshio Sasano, 30102354, be declared non-recoverable in view of the results of this investigation.

Walter Nicholson
 WALTER NICHOLSON
 WOJG, USA
 Investigating Officer

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SASANO, TOSHIKO
30 102 354

1 Sept 49

1. 293 file is in hands of Mr Beckman, Ident Sec, for checking of possible unknown (X-119 - Fratelle).
2. Also awaiting reply to letter dated 31 Aug 49 to Pacific Zone.

No Identification possible per Beckman



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.

IN REPLY REFER TO

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Sasano, Toshio

SN 30 102 354

23 March 1950

Mr. and Mrs. Toraichi Sasano

Okayama-ken, Japan

Dear Mr. and Mrs. Sasano:

This office desires to furnish you information concerning the final determination which has been made in the case of your son, the late Private Toshio Sasano.

According to the records on file in this office and reports received from our oversea Command, your son, who was with the 100th Infantry Battalion, was killed in action on 25 January 1944 in the vicinity of Cassino, Italy. Subsequent to his reported death, units of the American Graves Registration Service thoroughly searched the battleground in the vicinity of Cassino on which the 100th Infantry Battalion had fought; however, the identifiable remains of your son were not located.

At the time of this investigation, civilian and public officials in Cassino as well as in ten other localities were interrogated; they stated that, to the best of their knowledge, no remains of American soldiers were left above ground, or were buried in isolated graves or in the local cemeteries in the vicinity.

The unidentified remains which were recovered by our Graves Registration personnel from the Cassino area were removed to United States Military Cemeteries for investigations to establish, if possible, individual identifications. The dental information and other identifying media pertaining to these remains were compared with physical data listed for your son in his Army records; however, none of the recovered remains could be associated with him.

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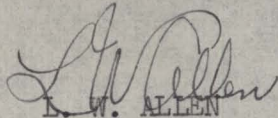
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Sincerely yours,



L. W. ALLEN
Lt. Colonel, QMC
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QCMP 293
Sasano, Toshio
SN 30 102 354 *JS*

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CC: AGO (mailed direct)

Draft approved 21 March by Colonel Hinman.

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ORIGIN 293
Sasano, Toshio
30 102 354

15 February 1950

SUBJECT: Non-recoverability of Remains

TO: Commanding Officer
American Graves Registration Service
Mediterranean Zone
APO 794, c/o Postmaster
New York, New York

1. Reference is made to Proceedings of Board of Officers that convened at your Headquarters and determined that the remains of the decedent, Sasano, Toshio, Pvt., 30 102 354, are non-recoverable.
2. Findings of the Board have been reviewed and approved on the decedent whose name appears in paragraph 1, above.
3. It is requested that all records of your office pertaining to the deceased be amended to read REMAINS NON-RECOVERABLE.

BY COMMAND OF MAJOR GENERAL FELDMAN:

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T. H. MEZ
Lt. Colonel, GAC
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cc: Resol Sec, Repat Br



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The Quartermaster General
U. S. Graves Registration Service
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Sir:

Our attention has been called to the fact that the remains of Pvt Toshio Sasano, 30102354, Co A, 100th Infantry Battalion, has not been recovered and identified.

Our records indicate that Pvt Sasano was killed in action in the vicinity of Cassino, Italy on 25 Jan 1944.

The next of kin of the decedent, Mrs. Fumiyo Sakaguchi, c/o Ace Food Center, 3048 Kapiolani Boulevard, Honolulu, T. H., is very anxious to have the remains of her late brother returned to Hawaii.

Buddies of the deceased in question who are acquainted with the circumstances and location of his surmise are willing to aid you in whatever way possible in the hopes that the wishes of the next of kin can be met.

Please advise us as to the official status of Pvt Sasano's remains on your records. If there is anything we can do to bring about a successful culmination of the case, please write to us at: Club 100, P. O. Box 1636, Honolulu, T. H.

Thank you.

Very truly yours,

Club 100

s/t/Naoji Yamagata
Executive Secretary

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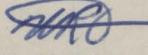
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1	Chief, Fin. Det. Section Ident. Br. Mem. Div.	Corres Sec, Repat. Br. Mem. Div. (ATTN: Mr Kerscher)	1 Sept 49	<p style="text-align: center;">299</p> <p>SUBJECT: Sasan, Toshio, SN 30102354</p> <p>1. Forwarded herewith is letter dated 9 Aug 49 from Club 100 (100th Inf Bn Club) for consideration of direct reply.</p> <p>2. Action taken by this Section is indicated in attached copy of letter dated 31 Aug 49 to Pacific Zone AGRS, requesting contact with Club 100 by representative of that command</p> <p style="text-align: right;">  DeWEESE 73472 </p> <p>2 Attachments 1. Ltr from Club 100 dtd 9 Aug 49 2. Cy of ltr, QMGMU to Pac Zone, dtd 31 Aug 49</p>

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SASANO, TOSHIO
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**NON-RECOVERABLE CASE
RECORD OF REVIEW AND APPROVAL**

CASE NUMBER **4483 (2)**
AREA OR ZONE(S)

Mediterranean

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) **293 Sasano, Toshio** RANK **Pvt** SERIAL NUMBER **30 102 354**

THE ATTACHED PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIELD BOARD OF REVIEW HAVE BEEN REVIEWED AND THE FINDINGS OF NON-RECOVERABILITY OF THE REMAINS OF THE FOLLOWING INDIVIDUAL(S) ARE APPROVED. (Corrections in name, rank, and/or serial number have been effected when appropriate.)

Sasano, Toshio Pvt. 30 102 354
Honda, Richard M. Pfc. 30 100 958

IN THE COURSE OF THIS REVIEW THE FOLLOWING SOURCES OF INFORMATION HAVE BEEN EXAMINED FOR ADDITIONAL CLUES. COPIES OF ANY DOCUMENTS BELIEVED MATERIAL TO THE CASE ARE ATTACHED FOLLOWING THE PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIELD BOARD OF REVIEW.

	INITIALS OF ANALYST	(CROSS OUT THOSE NOT APPLICABLE)	INITIALS OF ANALYST
1. 293 FILE OF SUBJECT(S)	<i>JMP</i>	2. a. REPORT OF DEATH b. FINDING OF DEATH c. STATUS REVIEW & DETERMINATION	<i>JMP</i>
3. A - Z FILE OF KNOWN INTERMENTS IN U.S. MILITARY CEMETERIES, ISOLATED LOCATIONS, AND SEA BURIALS	<i>JMP</i>	4. GEOGRAPHICAL CLUE INDEX FILE OF UNKNOWN RECOVERED FROM APPROPRIATE AREA	<i>JMP</i>
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7. OTHER DOCUMENTS OR SOURCES a. German Records			<i>JMP</i>

THE FACTS AND CIRCUMSTANCES HAVE BEEN FOUND TO BE SUBSTANTIALLY AS PRESENTED IN THE ATTACHED PROCEEDINGS OF THE FIELD BOARD OF REVIEW, WITH THE FOLLOWING EXCEPTIONS:

None

*File 10 Nov 49
W.R. DeWeese
1st Lt, QMC*

NAME OF CASE ANALYST **J. M. POPE** CASE TO BE FORWARDED TO **Repatriation Branch, Correspondence Sec.** FOR CONSIDERATION OF NOTIFICATION TO INTERESTED PARTIES.

RECOMMEND APPROVAL		APPROVED	DATE
CASE REVIEWER, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION <i>K. J. Craten</i> K. J. CRATEN	CHIEF, FINAL DETERMINATION SECTION <i>W.R. DeWeese</i> W.R. DeWEESE, 1st Lt QMC	CHIEF, IDENTIFICATION BRANCH <i>G.W. Rogers</i> by G.W. ROGERS, Capt QMC	22 June 1949

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REPORT OF PROCEEDINGS OF BOARD OF OFFICERS.

Organization: Headquarters, 9107 TSU -QMC
 American Graves Registration Service-
 Mediterranean Zone
 APO 794, U. S. Army

Place : Rome, Italy

Proceedings of a Board of Officers which convened at Rome, Italy, pursuant to par 4, Special Order No. 62, Headquarters, 9107 TSU -QMC, AGRS, dated 5 April 1948, a copy of which is attached as Exhibit "A".

The Board met pursuant to the foregoing order at 1330 hours on MAY 12 1948

MEMBERS PRESENT AND ABSENT AS INDICATED:

Capt. Daniel L. COLEMAN	0-360205	INF	President	P
Capt. Joseph W. RUANE	0-435026	CHC	Member	P
Capt. Samuel F. FRITZ	0-410379	QMC	Member	P
Capt. John M. LINNELL	0-378305	INF	Member	A
Capt. Robert C. OLSEN	0-444621	MC	Member	A

PURPOSE:

(a) To review and act upon all cases pertaining to the identity of unknown remains referred to the Board by Headquarters, AGRS/MZ.

(b) To review and determine in all cases from evidence presented, the non-recoverability of remains referred to the Board by Headquarters, AGRS/MZ.

(c) If approved, these cases will be removed from the Agenda for further search and attempts to identify and no further search or investigation will be made unless additional information is forthcoming or orders are received from the OQMG to the contrary.

The following cases were brought before the Board:

Pvt. Toshio Sasano, 30102354, and Pfc. Richard M. Honda, 30100958, both of the 100th Inf. Bn. (SEP), who were Killed in Action 25 January and 10 February 1944, in the vicinity of Cassino, Italy, Map Reference: G 8.6 - 2.2, Road Map of Italy, 1:200,000, Sheet 17. The identifiable remains of the subject deceased have not been recovered by this headquarters.

FINDINGS

The Board having considered the evidence presented finds that:

(Report of Proceedings of Board of Officers on Pvt. T. Sasano, 30102354 and Pfc. R. M. Honda, 30100958, continued)

(a) Pvt. Sasano and Pfc. Honda were Killed in Action, 25 January and 10 February 1944 in Italy. (Exhibits "B" & "C")

(b) Historical records indicate that the 100th Inf. Bn (SEP) was fighting in the vicinity of Cassino, Italy on 25 January and 10 February 1944. (Exhibit "D")

(c) The battleground of the 100th Inf. Bn. (SEP) in the vicinity of Cassino was thoroughly searched during September 1947 and the identifiable remains of the subject deceased were not recovered. (Exhibit "E")

(d) Dental records pertaining to the subject deceased have been compared with all available dental records of all unidentified deceased recovered from the Cassino Area and other identification data have been compared with those of all unidentified deceased recovered from the battleground of the 100th Inf. Bn. (SEP) without effecting association.

RECOMMENDATIONS

In view of the findings the Board recommends that no further attempts towards recovery of subject deceased be made and that their remains be declared Non-Recoverable, in accordance with provisions of Letter, The Adjutant General's Office, file AGAO-S 293.9 (27 March 1947) D-M subject: "Establishment of Boards of Review for Identification of Unknown Dead Overseas." dated 9 April 1947.

The Board adjourned at 1730 hours on MAY 12 1948

PRESIDENT: *Daniel L. Coleman*
DANIEL L. COLEMAN
Captain INF

MEMBER: *Joseph W. Ruane*
JOSEPH W. RUANE
Captain CHC

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Captain MC

RECORDER: *Samuel F. Fritz*
SAMUEL F. FRITZ
Captain QMC

ACTION BY COMMANDING AUTHORITY 13 MAY 1948

APPROVED: *Whitfield W. Watson*
WHITFIELD W. WATSON
Colonel QMC
Commanding

- 5 Exhibits:
"A" - SO #62, Hq. AGRS/MZ, dtd 5 Apr 48
"B" - OQMG Form 371 (Sasano)
"C" - OQMG Form 371 (Honda)
"D" - Map #9, 5th Army History, Vol. IV
"E" - Report of Searching Team

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3. Par 6, SO #47, this Headquarters, cs, is revoked, effective 6 April 1948.

4. The following Officers, Detachment #1, this Command, are appointed as a Board of Review for "Identification of Unknown Dead Overseas", effective 6 April 1948:

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The Junior Member of the Board in proceedings will act in capacity of recorder. Subj Board will meet at the call of the President.
 WDAGO Letter: AGAO-S/239.9 (27 Mar 47) D-M, 9 April 1947.

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BY ORDER OF COLONEL WATSON:

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 APO #782, U. S. ARMY

SUBJECT: Historical Information.

On 8 February, Major Lovell after leaving the forward CP was wounded in the right leg and chest. As he lay exposed, Technical Sergeant Gary Hisaoka, who had won a Silver Star a few weeks before, toiled under fire and dragged the Major back to safety. For his second gallant act he was awarded an Oak Leaf Cluster but the award was made posthumous for he was later killed at Anzio. When Major Lovell was evacuated, Major Clough took command of the 100th again.

The battalion stayed in place for four days, shifting positions to better advantage against the severe shellings, but firmly held its position. Many enemy snipers were killed off in this sector. Communication lines were often shattered when shell fragments cut them and each company owed a great deal to courageous wiremen who went out under fire to repair the lines. Four Headquarters Company men and one from Company D were commended with Bronze Stars.

During these four days the regiment, after directing eight inch howitzer fire upon Cassino, took a total of only four buildings. On the 11th, flame throwers manned by engineers attempted to burn out enemy bunkers but were unsuccessful. Heavy fire kept them back. Finally on the 12th, the 100th drew away from the untenable area and went into regimental reserve in the rear of the 1st Battalion near Hill 193. However, Company B was ordered into the town of Cassino to help clear out the near end which would secure the 3rd Battalion's right flank.

LOSSES IN ACTION:

Honda, Richard M.

Pfc.

KIA 10 Feb 44

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AG 201 Sasano, Toshio
(22 Feb 44) PC-N NAT008

25 February 1944.

Mrs. Fumiyo Sakaguchi,
3518-A Kaau Street,
Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii.

Dear Mrs. Sakaguchi:

It is with regret that I am writing to confirm the recent message which was transmitted to you through the Commanding General, United States Army Forces, Central Pacific Area, informing you of the death of your brother, Private Toshio Sasano, 30,102,354, Infantry, who was killed in action on 25 January 1944 in Italy.

I fully understand your desire to learn as much as possible regarding the circumstances leading to his death and I wish that there were more information available to give you. Unfortunately, reports of this nature contain only the briefest details as they are prepared under battle conditions and the means of transmission are limited.

I know the sorrow this message has brought you and it is my hope that in time the knowledge of his heroic service in defense of his country, even unto death, may be of sustaining comfort to you.

I extend to you my deepest sympathy.

Sincerely yours,

J. A. ULIO
Major General,
The Adjutant General.

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AG 201 Honda, Richard M.
PC-N NATO28

17 March 1944.

Mrs. Nancy M. Honda,
1917-B Dudoit Lane,
Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii.

Dear Mrs. Honda:

It is with regret that I am writing to confirm the recent message which was transmitted to you through the Commanding General, United States Army Forces, Central Pacific Area, informing you of the death of your husband, Private First Class Richard M. Honda, 30,100,958, Infantry, who was killed in action on 10 February 1944 in Italy.

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DATA ON REMAINS NOT YET RECORDED OR IDENTIFIED

NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) HONDA, RICHARD M.		GRADE P.F.C.	PRESENT SERIAL NUMBER 30100958
ORGANIZATION CO. C. 100TH INF. BN. SEP.	RACE JAPANESE	CREED NO PREF.	FORMER SERIAL NUMBER (If applicable)
DATE OF DEATH/MIA 10 FEB. 44	CAUSE OF DEATH KILLED IN ACTION	PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA ITALY	
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		COLOR HAIR BLACK	SHOE SIZE 6EE

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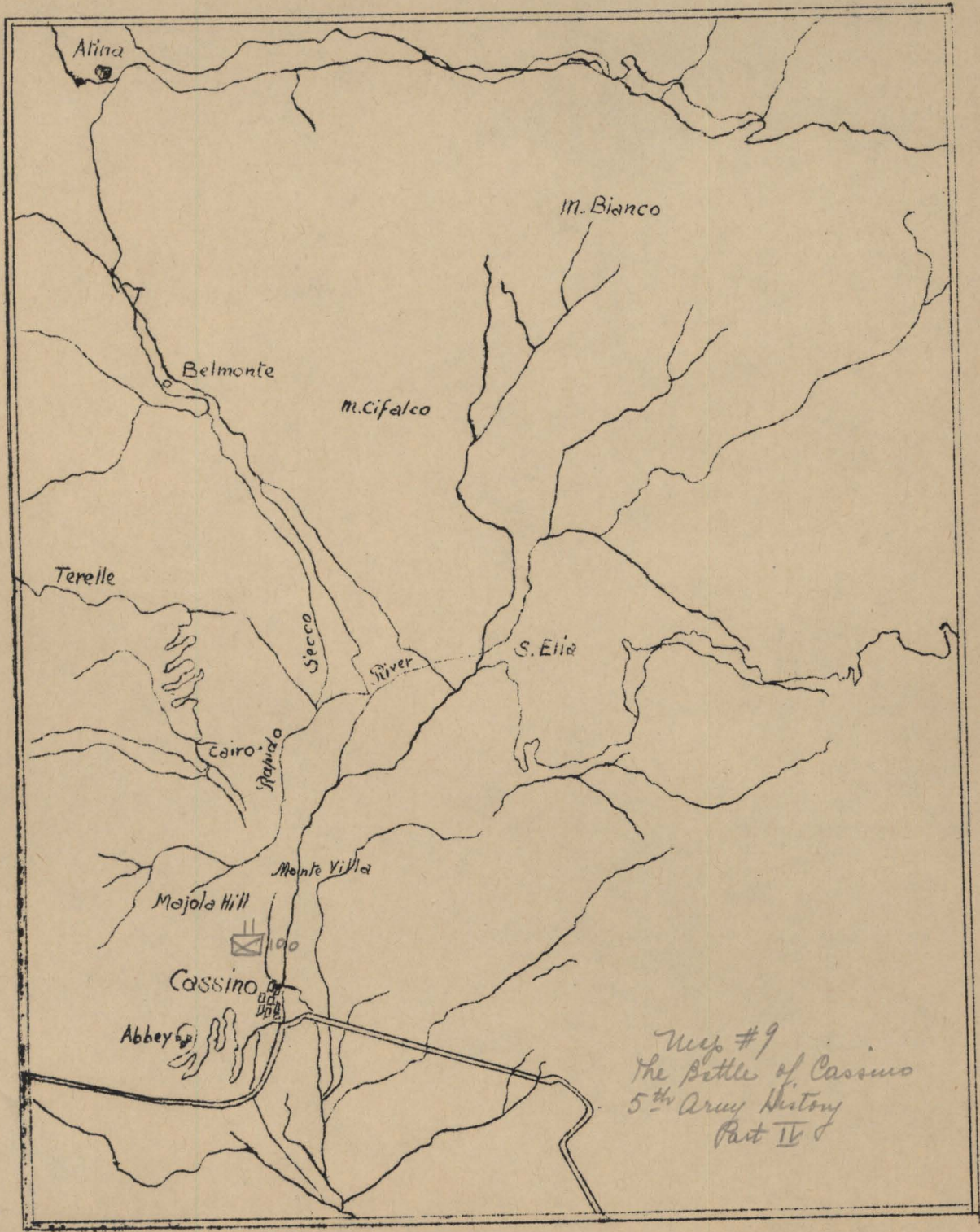
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Area shown on the attached overlay was carefully searched and results were negative.

Statements were obtained from civilian and public officials declaring, that to the best of their knowledge, there are no remains of American soldiers, either on the surface of the ground, in isolated graves, or buried in the local cemeteries.

s/ Charles R. Ivey, Jr
CHARLES R. IVEY, JR.
2nd Lt. QMC
Operations Officer

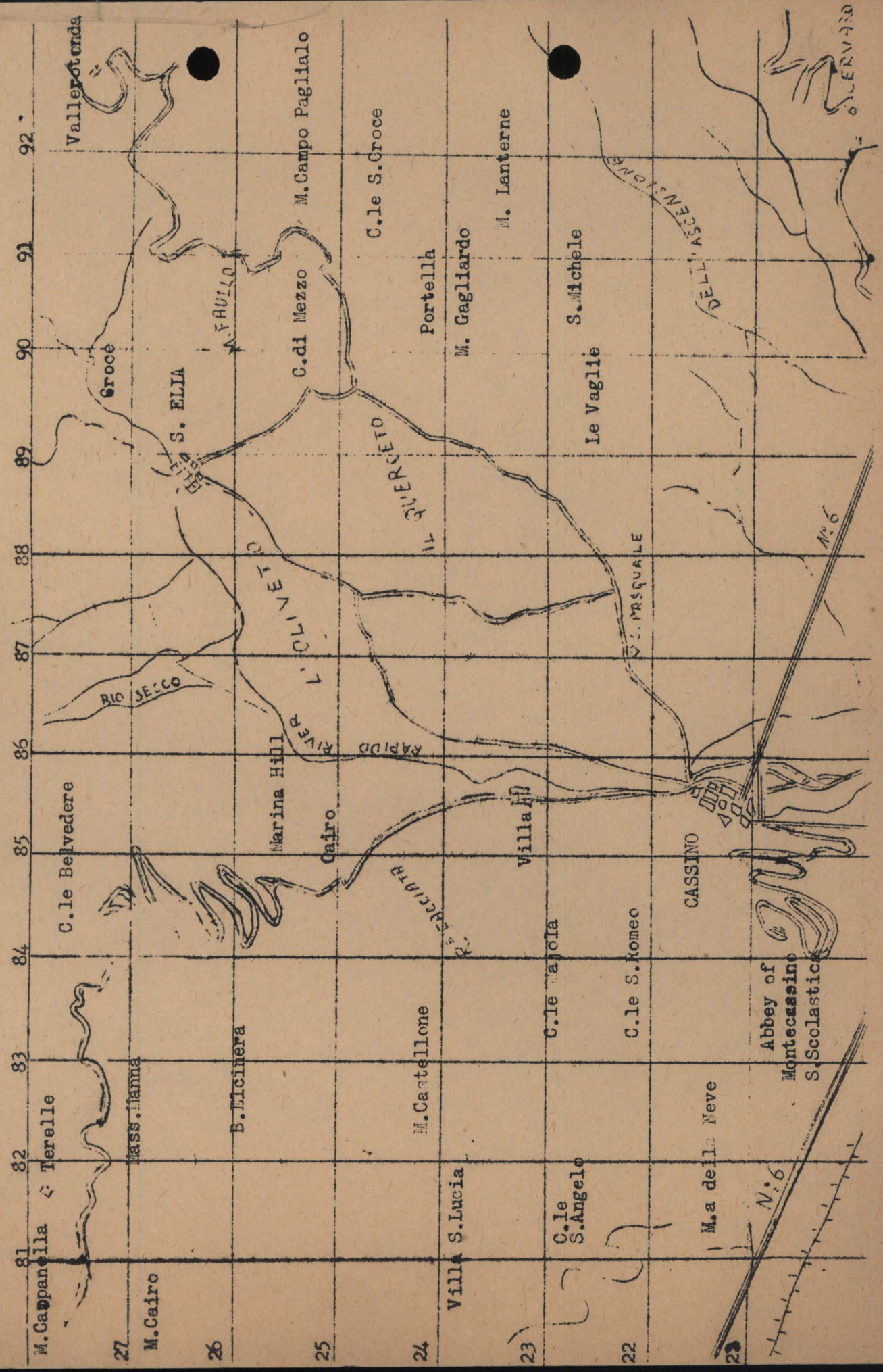
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The Battle of Cassino
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I, the undersigned, living in the locality listed below, declare that, to the best of my knowledge, there are no remains of American soldiers in the locality listed below, either on the surface of the ground, or in isolated burials or buried in the local cemeteries.

Io sottoscritto, abitante nella localita' sotto elencata, dichiaro che, per quanto mi consta, non vi sono salme di soldati americani nella localita' sotto elencata, sulla superficie della terra, in tumuli isolati o sepolti nei cimiteri locali.

LOCALITY	SIGNATURE
Cassino	Fionda, Orazio, Caretaker Pittiglio, Pietro
Montecassino	Ascaro, Pasquale Pittiglio, Giuseppe Vacca, Giuseppe
West of Cassino	Pittiglio, Angelo Meta, Angelantonio Niele, Irma Galssini, Roissa Pichera, Rocco
Terelle North of Cassino	Tulle, Orazio Sofia, Giuseppe Lanni, Giuseppe Lanni, Angelo Pittiglio, Antonio La Marra, Angelo Boncons, Pietro
Villa S. Lucia	Ponte, Romano Cesa, Battaglia Rais, Loreto
Piedimonte S. Germano	Lacco, Benedetto Gragno, Domenico Cavacece, Vittorio Tomasso, Santo
Villa	Gergano, Adalberto Patriarca, Michele Conte, Pasquale
San Michele	Tomassi, Francesco Risi, Giuseppe Lagano, Emilio Valente, Alberto
San Pasquale	Vettese, Giuseppe Grassi, Umberto Torrice, Angelo Dinello, Antonio
Sant'Elia	Pittigno, Felice Versaini, Tomasso

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FOR MAJ SEKOWSKI QM LN URNR 23 30 AUG ON TOSHIO SASANO REPEAT SASANO

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IDENTIFICATION SECTION
MEMORIAL DIVISION

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IDENTIFICATION DATA

LAST NAME - FIRST NAME - MIDDLE INITIAL <i>Sasano, Toshio.</i>			ARMY SERIAL NUMBER <i>30102354</i>		GRADE <i>Priv.</i>
HEIGHT <i>5 ft. 2 in.</i>	WEIGHT <i>109 lbs</i>	COLOR EYES <i>Brown</i>	COLOR HAIR <i>Blk.</i>	SHOE SIZE <i>5 1/2 EE</i>	DATE OF DEATH <i>25 Jan. 1944</i>

LAST ORGANIZATION TO WHICH ATTACHED OR ASSIGNED (Give complete designation)
Co "A" 100th Inf. Bn. Sep.

PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA
Killed in action in Italy on 25 Jan. 1944.

LIST ALL CAMPS IN WHICH STATIONED IN U.S. PRIOR TO SERVICE OVERSEAS, WITH INCLUSIVE DATES AT EACH.

STATION	DATES
<i>Co "C" Recept. Cen. Schofield Barrack. T.H.</i>	<i>Jan 1942</i>
<i>Co: 298th Inf.</i>	<i>Jan 1942 June 1942</i>
<i>Co: HAWK Prov. Bn Inf.</i>	<i>June 1942</i>
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<i>Co "B" 100th Inf. Bn.</i>	<i>Aug 1942 Nov 1943</i>
<i>Co, Co "A" 100th Inf Bn Sep.</i>	<i>Nov 1943</i>

FROM: I'D. AGO CLINICAL RECORDS BRANCH
NO RECORDS IN FILE

FRACTURES AND/OR BREAKS <i>None</i>	TATTOOS AND/OR BIRTH MARKS <i>None</i>
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DENTAL CHART - 15 Nov. 1941

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NOTICE OF CHANGE IN ADDRESS

NAME OF DECEASED

SASANO TOSHIO

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PVT.

SERIAL NUMBER

30-107-354

NAME OF NEXT OF KIN

Mrs. Humayo Sakaguchi

RELATIONSHIP

SISTER.

OLD ADDRESS

3518 A. KAAU ST.

NEW ADDRESS

3048 KAPIOLANI BLVD.

o/o. ACE FOOD CENTER.

REMARKS

Hon. T.H.

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL
WASHINGTON 25, D. C.
OFFICIAL BUSINESS

PENALTY FOR PRIVATE USE TO AVOID
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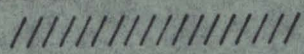
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293 FILE		DATA ON REMAINS NOT YET RECORDED OR IDENTIFIED			
NAME (Last, First, Middle Initial) <i>SASANO TOSHIO</i>		GRADE <i>PVT</i>	PRESENT SERIAL NUMBER <i>30103 354</i>		
ORGANIZATION <i>Co A 100-INF BN SEP</i>	RACE <i>JAPANESE</i>	CREED <i>NOT OF RECORD</i>	FORMER SERIAL NUMBER (If applicable)		
DATE OF DEATH/MIA <i>25 JAN 44</i>	CAUSE OF DEATH <i>KILLED IN ACTION</i>	PLACE OF DEATH OR PLACE LAST SEEN IF MIA <i>ITALY</i>			
DATE OF FOD					
HEIGHT <i>62"</i>	WEIGHT <i>109</i>	COLOR EYES <i>BROWN</i>	COLOR HAIR <i>BLACK</i>	SHOE SIZE <i>5 1/2 EE</i>	
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ADDITIONAL INFORMATION					
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14 MAY 1948					

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY



QMCMF 293
Sasano, Toshio
S. N. 30 102 354

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14 April 1948

Mrs. Fumiyo Sakaguchi
c/o Ace Food Center
3048 Kapiolani Boulevard
Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii

Dear Mrs. Sakaguchi:

Your letter pertaining to the remains of your brother, the late Private Toshio Sasano, has come to my attention.

With deep regret I must inform you that, as yet, information pertaining to the burial of the remains of your brother has not been received in this office.

Units of the American Graves Registration Service are continuing their intensive search of the area in which he died. An inquiry is being made to obtain their latest information pertaining to the possible recovery and reburial of the remains of your brother. Please rest assured that information in response to this inquiry will be communicated to you immediately upon its receipt in this office.

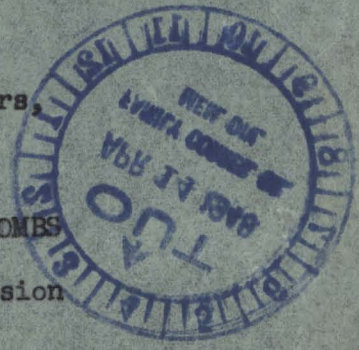
A change in your mailing address from 3518 A Kaau Street, Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii, which is the address entered on our records, to the above address, has been noted in your last letter.

If this new address is to be your permanent mailing address, please so inform us immediately, using the inclosed post card which requires no postage.

May I extend my sympathy in your great loss.

Sincerely yours,

RICHARD B. COOMBS
Major, CMC
Memorial Division



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U.S. ARMY
R. B. COOMBS
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Form 381

CORRESPONDENCE ACTION SHEET

Mr.
 Miss.
 Addressee: Mrs. Fumiyu Sakaguchi Sister Relationship
 State 90 Ace Food Center
 City, State 3048 Kapiolani Blvd. '47 Date letter
 Cemetery Honolulu, T.H.
 Temporary: _____
 Permanent: _____
 Plot Row Gr Cem. Name or No. City Country

Decedent: Sakano Last
Yoshie First
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pat. Rank
30 102 354 ASN

PARAGRAPHS (sequence)

-- ADDITIONAL -- DATA -- MODIFICATIONS --

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3518 A Kaau St., Honolulu, T.H.

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Incl: Chg. of address card

Bethel

Analyst Typist Reviewer

Modifications

OKed

8 April

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Date 4/6/48

TO: Identification Section

Case Name Sasano Toshio Pot. 30120354

Request situation paragraph, and cemetery if appropriate, applicable to this case.

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Family Letter Sect.
1511 "B"

CIP reprocessing of unknowns may reveal the deceased as a possibility at a later date. Unknown 57997 (X-146) Frattile, Italy, will be reprocessed in the near future, but at the present time the tooth chart does not compare favorably with that of Pot. Sasano.

R Beckman
Rm 1452
6 April 48

X-146 - has been identified as Yoshida Yoshikazu E.

Tab A

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Unknown 57997
(R Fratelle) Italy

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WAR DEPARTMENT
OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

DATE 18 March 1946

SUBJECT: Information required for Graves Registration.

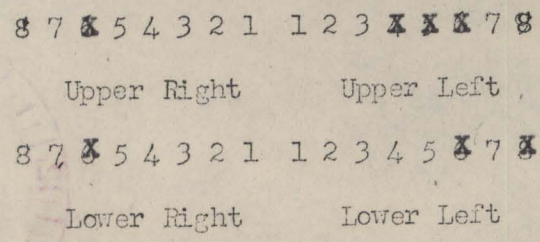
TO : World War II Records Administration Center, AGO
4300 Goodfellow Blvd., St. Louis 20, Missouri

- a. Surname Sasano ^{29.3}
- b. Christian name Toshio
- c. Serial number 30102354
- d. Grade and Organization Pvt... Infantry
- e. All camps stationed in the U.S. prior to service overseas, including inclusive dates at each station. Schofield Barracks, T.H. Camp McCoy, Wisconsin
- f. Date and place of death 1/25/44 North African Area
- g. Cause of death KIA
- h. Religious preference "None"
- i. Emergency Addressee Mrs. Fumiyo Sakaguchi, 3518 A Kaau St. Honolulu, T.H.
- j. Date and place of induction 15 Nov 41 - Schofield Barracks, T.H.

BODY DESCRIPTION

- a. Age at enlistment or induction 23 years and 8 months
- b. Shoe size 5 1/2
- c. Color of hair Black
- d. Color of eyes Brown
- e. Height 5' 2" as of 11/15/41
- f. Weight 109 pounds as of 11/15/41
- g. Fractures or breaks
- h. Tatto or birth marks

DENTAL CHART dated 15 November 1941



Please note dentures or bridge work if shown.
Not shown

RS-DC Records Administration Center
St. Louis 20, Missouri, 7 May 1946

EDWARD F. WITSELL
Major General
The Adjutant General
By: *173*

FILE
OCT 28 1948
U.S. ARMY
RECORDS ADMINISTRATION CENTER
ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI

c/o Ace Food Center,
3048 Kapiolani Blvd
Honolulu, T. H.
March 30, 1948

Re: SN: 30 102 354
SASANO, Toshio
Pvt, Co A, 100th Bn

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Commanding General
Memorial Division
Office of the Quartermaster General,
War Department,
Washington 25, D. C.

Dear Sir:

This is in reference to disposition of remains of those who were killed in action during the last War.

My brother named above was killed in action on January 25, 1944, in Italy, but to date I have not received any information as to where he is buried and exaction of plot. I have not received any application form either whereon I may specify my desires as to disposition of remains.

I am very anxious to find out status inasmuch as all my friends and neighbors who lost their loved ones have received application forms and have been assured that the deceased's remains will be brought back to the Hawaiian Islands for interment in a National Cemetery.

Being the only near relative of the decedent, I sincerely believe that I am the person authorized to specify disposition, therefore, your prompt attention and information will be greatly appreciated.

Very truly yours,

Fumiyo Sakaguchi

Fumiyo Sakaguchi



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57997. Italy
(R Fratelle)

293 Sasano, Toshio 30, 102, 354

WAR DEPARTMENT

OFFICE OF THE QUARTERMASTER GENERAL

DATE 18 March 1946

SUBJECT: Information required for Graves Registration.

TO : World War II Records Administration Center, AGO
4300 Goodfellow Blvd., St. Louis 20, Missouri

- a. Surname **Sasano**
- b. Christian name **Toshio**
- c. Serial number **30102354**
- d. Grade and Organization **Pvt. Infantry**
- e. All camps stationed in the U.S. prior to service overseas **including inclusive dates.**
- f. Date and place of death **1/25/44**
- g. Cause of death **North African Area**
- h. Religious preference **Killed in Action**
- i. Emergency Addressee **Mrs. Fumiyo Sakaguchi**
- j. Date and place of induction **3518 A Kean St., Honolulu, T.H.**

BODY DESCRIPTION

- a. Age at enlistment or induction
- b. Shoe size
- c. Color of hair
- d. Color of eyes
- e. Height
- f. Weight
- g. Fractures or breaks

DENTAL CHART

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FILE UNDER NO. 293 - Sasano, Toshio 30102354 Pvt.

I N D E X S H E E T

S Y N O P S I S

Letter

29 April 1946

FROM: QMGO
TO: AGO, World War II Records Adm., St. Louis, Mo.

RE: Information required for Graves Registration.

DOCUMENT FILED UNDER NO. 293 - Unknown 57997 (R Fratelle) Italy

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WAR DEPARTMENT
THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
WASHINGTON
REPORT OF DEATH

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DATE **29 February 1944**
Mullen/Jones 4628

FULL NAME Sasano, Toshio		ARMY SERIAL NO. 30 102 354
GRADE Pvt	ARM OR SERVICE Infantry	DATE OF BIRTH 10 March 1918
HOME ADDRESS Honolulu, T. H.		
DATE OF DEATH 25 Jan 44	PLACE OF DEATH North African Area	CAUSE OF DEATH Killed in action
EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE (NAME, RELATIONSHIP, & ADDRESS) Mrs. Fumiyo Sakaguchi (sister) 3518 A Kaau St., Honolulu, T. H.		
BENEFICIARY (NAME, RELATIONSHIP, & ADDRESS) Mrs. Fumiyo Sakaguchi (sister) 3518 A Kaau St., Honolulu, T.H. Soldier declined to designate an alternate beneficiary.		

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR:

MAY 8

1944 FILE

DANIEL J. REIDY

ADJUTANT GENERAL

(OVER)

THIS COPY FOR THE Q. M. G. (CONFIDENTIAL)

BATTLE

ADDITIONAL DATA: (CONFIDENTIAL)

2784A

STATION OF DECEASED

North African Area

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MEMORIAL DIVISION

REPORT OF DEATH

CONFIDENTIAL

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Sasano, Toshio

30, 102, 354

Summary Court-Martial
ARMY SERVICE FORCES
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT
601 Hardesty Avenue
Kansas City 1, Missouri

Case No. 86433 B ems
Date 19 Oct. 1944

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SUBJECT: Report of transactions in disposing of the effects of

Toshio Sasano, 30102354 late a
(Name of deceased) (Army Serial Number)

Private, Infantry, who died
(Grade) (Organization, Arm or Service)

on the 25 day of January, 1944, at North African Area.

TO : The Adjutant General, War Department, Washington 25, D.C.

1. Complying with A.W. 112, a Summary Court-Martial, convened at Kansas City, Mo., pursuant to S.O. 228, Hq., KCQM Depot, dated 25 September 1943, for the purpose of disposing of the effects of the above-named soldier, or person subject to military law, reports that:

a. No legal representative or widow of decedent being present at decedent's camp or quarters, effects of decedent were forwarded to this Summary Court-Martial.

b. Local debtors owed decedent's estate \$ None, of which the sum of \$ None was collected. (If nothing was found due or collected, state "None"; otherwise attach itemized statement of sums owing and collected.) (Incl. _____.)

c. Decedent owed undisputed local creditors the sum of \$ None, which has been paid by the Summary Court-Martial from funds of decedent. (See inclosed receipt _____, Incl. _____.)

d. Disposition of decedent's effects (less money paid creditors, if any has been made by the Summary Court-Martial by transmittal through the Quartermaster Corps, at Government expense to person found entitled (See Summary Court-Martial FINDING below.)

FINDING:

Before a Summary Court-Martial which convened at Kansas City, Missouri, on 29 August 1944, pursuant to Special Orders 228, Headquarters, KCQM Depot, dated 25 September 1943, the application or affidavit of _____

Mrs. Fumiyo Sakaguchi for the effects of the above-named deceased soldier, or person subject to military law, now in the possession of the United States, with other relevant evidence, was duly considered;

Whereupon, this Summary Court-Martial finds that, under the provisions of A.W. 112, Mrs. Fumiyo Sakaguchi of
(Name of person found entitled)

3518 - A Kaau Street, Honolulu 31, State
(Number, Street or Avenue) (City, Town or Village)
of Territory of Hawaii, is the Sister of the
(Relationship or Capacity)

above-named decedent and appears to be entitled to receive his or her effects.

(Signature of Summary Court Officer)

W. F. HEIMAN, Major Q.M.C.
(Name, Rank, Organization)
SUMMARY COURT-MARTIAL

ARMY SERVICE FORCES
ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

ORDER FOR SHIPMENT

Campbell:es
Suspense (S-9-30-44)
Case No. 86433-D
Date August 30, 1944

MEMORANDUM TO Warehouse Branch:

Please see that the personal effects on the above mentioned case are packed, weighed and ready for shipment promptly so that they may be readily picked up. Bills of Lading and all other papers will be marked with the case number and can be identified thereby. The original of this form should be returned to the Administrative Branch after completion. *file*

Effects of: Pvt. Toshio Sasano Serial No. 30102354
Ship to: Mrs. Fumiyo Sakaguchi
Street and Number 3518 A Kaau Street
City and State Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii
Ship Via: Franked Gov't B/L No. _____

Receipt mailed

Francis Reed
For the Effects Quartermaster

LIST OF PACKAGES SHIPPED

1 Carton

Franked Mail -- 4# or less _____
Parcel Post Charges _____
Estimated Express Charges _____
Estimated Freight Charges _____

Total Number of Pieces: 1 Shipping Clerk *[Signature]*
Weight of Shipment: 3 Date SEP 6 1944



ARMY SERVICE FORCES
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT
601 HARDESTY AVENUE
KANSAS CITY 1, MISSOURI

(S-10-1-44)
JRM:VC:es
August 31, 1944

IN REPLY REFER TO 86433-D

Mrs. Fumiyo Sakaguchi
3518 A Kaau Street
Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii

Dear Mrs. Sakaguchi:

Thank you for sending this Bureau the form needed in connection with disposal of the property of your brother, Private Toshio Sasano.

This property is being forwarded and should reach you in the near future. When you have received the package, please sign one copy of the inclosed receipt and return that copy to this Bureau. For your convenience, there is inclosed an envelope which needs no postage.

The transmittal of personal effects by this Bureau does not, of itself, vest title in the recipient. Such property is forwarded to a responsible person so that distribution may be made according to law.

Please accept my sympathy in the loss of your brother.

Yours very truly,

O. M. DARNALL
Administrative Assistant
Army Effects Bureau

2 Incls.
Envelope
Form 5 (Dup.)

In the Summary Court-Martial, in and for the

ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT
601 HARDESTY AVENUE
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

IMMEDIATE ACTION

(S-8-7-44)
JRM:VC:mas
July 7, 1944

In the matter of the disposition of the effects of
Pvt Toshio Sasano
(Name of deceased soldier)
30102354
(Serial Number)

Case No. 86433-D
APPLICATION FOR EFFECTS OF DECEASED SOLDIER

I, Mrs. Fumiyo Sakaguchi (Claimant) of Honolulu,
(City, town or village)

in the Honolulu Territory and Hawaii
County of Honolulu State of Hawaii

hereby make application for the effects of the above-named deceased soldier, now in the possession of the United States, and in support thereof state:

1. That Pvt Toshio Sasano entered the military
(Name of deceased soldier)

service of the United States on or about 15th day of November, 1941,
and was a Private in Company A, 100th Infantry Battalion
(Grade or rank of deceased) (Name of organization if known)

_____ ; that he was born
(If not known, so state giving all possible information)

at Honolulu, in the ~~State of~~ Territory of Hawaii
(If born in foreign country, so

10th day of March, 1918 ;
state)

and that he died on or about the 25th day of January, 1944,
(If not known, so state)

at Cassino, Italy.
(If not known, so state)

2. That I bear the following relationship to the above-named deceased soldier:

(Mark around one of the following which describes your relationship):

- (1) Widow
- (2) Administrator or Executor of Estate
- (3) Son
- (4) Daughter
- (5) Father
- (6) Mother
- (7) Brother
- (8) Sister
- (9) Grandchild
- (10) Other next of kin

3. That there is no living person who bears relationship to said

(Continued on Reverse Side)

file VC 8-29

ARMY SERVICE RECORDS
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI
501 MARKET AVENUE
KANSAS CITY, MISSOURI

deceased soldier of a lower numbered class than that marked above, except
(5) Father, Toraichi Sasano; (6) Mother, Masayo Sasano; (8) Sisters, Tamiko Sasano, Yuriko Sasano, Yoshie Sasano, Michiko Sasano, (7) Brothers, Isamu Sasano, and Kaname Sasano, all of whom were last heard of as living in Okayama-ken, Japan.

* (Example: If you have marked (7) Brother, are there any living persons described by classes (1) to (6) inclusive? If so, give their names and relationships to the deceased soldier; if not, state "No Exception.")

4. That I have completed and executed the affidavit on the following pages hereof and make it a part of this application by reference.

Witnessed by: Mrs. Fumiko Sakaguchi
(Signature of Claimant)

Norman P. Kobayashi
(Signature of Witness)

(Faint, mostly illegible text from the reverse side of the page, including a list of relationship categories: (1) Widow, (2) Administrator or Executor, (3) Son, (4) Daughter, (5) Father, (6) Mother, (7) Brother, (8) Sister, (9) Grandchild, (10) Other next of kin.)

AFFIDAVIT OF CLAIMANT

City & COUNTY OF Honolulu)
TERRITORY) SS
STATE OF HAWAII)

Personally appeared before me, Martha M Maier
a Notary Public
(Name and title of official)

City & Territory in and for the County and State aforesaid, Mrs. Fumiyo Sakaguchi
(Name of claimant)

aged 29 years, residing at 3518-A Kaau Street, Honolulu,
(City, town
City & Territory, County of Honolulu State of Terr. of Hawaii,
or village)

who, being duly sworn, declares that the following answers and statements are made in support of her application (see page 1 of this form)
(His or her)

for the effects of PVT. TOSHIO SASANO, 30102354 now in the possession of
(Name of deceased soldier)

the United States:

Was the deceased soldier married at the time of his death? No.

If so, what is the name and address of his widow? nil

What was her maiden name? nil

When and where did she marry deceased soldier? nil

Were they living together as husband and wife when the deceased soldier entered the military service? nil If not, state the circumstances:

Were they divorced or separated by legal proceedings? nil

If so, when and by order of what court? nil

Is his widow now living? nil If not, when and where did she die?

Was deceased soldier ever previously married? No. If so, to whom and how was this marriage terminated? nil

Has deceased soldier any children now living? No.

(Continued on Reverse Side)

If so, give name, sex, age and address of each living child:

Name in Full (Christian, middle and surname)	Sex	Age	Post Office Address in Full
None			

(If there are any additional names, give same information on separate sheet and attach)

Has a legal guardian been appointed for any of the above children? nil

If so, give names and addresses of such guardians in full: nil

Is the father of deceased soldier now living? Yes.

If so, state his name and address: TORAICHI SASANO, Okayama-ken, Japan.

If not, when and where did he die? _____

Has the above-named father abandoned the support of his family? No.

If so, state circumstances _____

Is the mother of deceased soldier now living? Yes.

If so, state her name and address: MASAYO SASANO, Okayama-ken, Japan.

What was her maiden name? MASAYO ENDO

If deceased, when and where did she die? nil

Has deceased soldier any brothers or sisters now living? Yes.

If so, give name, sex, age and address of each living brother and sister:

Name in Full Christian, middle and surname	Sex	Age	Post Office Address in Full
Tamiko Sasano	Female	23	Okayama-ken, Japan
Yuriko Sasano	Female	21	Same
Isamu Sasano	Male	19	Same
Yoshie Sasano	Female	14	Same
Kaname Sasano	Male	11	Same
Michiko Sasano	Female	9	Same

(If there are any additional names, give same information on separate sheet and attach)

Has deceased soldier any grandchildren now living? No.

If so, give name, age, address and name of one parent of each living grandchild:

Name of grandchild (Christian, middle and surname)	Age	Post Office Address	Name of Parent
None			

(If there are any additional names, give same information on separate sheet and attach)

Did the deceased soldier leave a will? No.

If so, has an Executor of his estate been appointed by probate court? nil

If so, give name and address of Executor and inclose certified copy of letters of administration nil

If the deceased soldier left a will and an Executor has not yet been appointed, is it intended to probate the will? nil

What is the name, address, and relationship of the individual named as Executor in the will? nil

Has an Administrator of the estate been appointed by probate court? No.

If so, give name and address of Administrator and inclose a certified copy of letters of administration nil

Claimant further declares that the above answers and statements are true, except as to those facts which are stated to be uncertain; that claimant has not purposely refrained from answering any question or furnishing any requested information; that she makes the foregoing application (he or she)

and this affidavit in her relationship (or capacity) of Sister (his or her) (State

capacity, as Executor, Administrator or Guardian; or relationship as Widow, of PVT TOSHIO SASANO, 30102354 Son, Daughter, Father, Mother, etc. (Name of deceased soldier,

for the purpose of minor child, or estate of deceased, as the case may be)

enabling the United States to dispose of the effects of said deceased

soldier under the provisions of Article of War 112 (10 U.S.C. 1584); and, that she has read the application on Page 1 hereof and the (he or she)

statements therein contained are true and correct.

Witnessed by:

Ms. Fumiko Sakaguchi
(Signature of Claimant)

Norman G. Kobayashi
(Signature of Witness)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 3rd day of August 19 44.

(Impress seal here)

Martha M. Maier
Notary Public, First Judicial Circuit-Terr of Hawaii
(Official Designation)

My commission expires: 6-30-45

Note: If the application and affidavit are executed by the Executor or Administrator of the estate of the deceased soldier, or by the Guardian of a claimant, a certified copy of the letters of administration or guardianship, or other legal evidence of appointment, must be attached, in which event it will be unnecessary to secure the following affidavit of a disinterested witness. In all other cases the signature of claimant must be witnessed by one disinterested person of legal age who can write and who can execute the following affidavit. All signatures must be in ink and all other writing must be in typewriting or ink. In case the claimant's mark is substituted for the written signature, two disinterested attesting witnesses are required who can write their names.

AFFIDAVIT OF DISINTERESTED WITNESS

City & COUNTY OF Honolulu)
Terr) SS
STATE OF Hawaii)

Personally appeared before me, Martha M Maier, a Notary Public, in and
(Name and title of Official)

City & Territory for the County and ~~State~~ aforesaid, NORMAN TSUTOMU KOBAYASHI
(Name of disinterested witness)

age 31 years, a citizen of the United States, residing at _____

1655-A Tenth Avenue ~~Street~~, Honolulu, City and County of
(City, town or village)

Honolulu, Territory ~~State~~ of Hawaii, who, being duly

sworn, declares that He has been acquainted with the family of
(he or she)

Toshio Sasano for 6 years and knows _____
(Name of deceased soldier)

Mrs. Fumiyo Sasano Sakaguchi to be the Sister
(Name of Claimant) (Relationship, such as

_____ of said deceased soldier; that he
widow, son, daughter, etc.) (he or she)

has read the foregoing application and affidavit and that to the best of
his knowledge and belief the answers and statements herein
(his or her)

contained are true and correct, and said application and affidavit were
signed by the claimant in his presence; and, that affiant has
(his or her)

no interest whatever in the pending application for the effects of said
deceased soldier.

Norman T. Kobayashi
(Signature of disinterested witness)

Sworn to and subscribed before me this 3rd day of August,
1944

(Impress seal here)

Martha M. Maier
Notary Public, First Judicial Circuit
Terr of Hawaii
(Official designation)

My Commission Expires: 6-30-45

ARMY SERVICE FORCES
KANSAS CITY QUARTERMASTER DEPOT
601 HARDESTY AVENUE
KANSAS CITY 1, MISSOURI

[Handwritten signature]
(S-8-7-44)
JRM:VC:cly
July 7, 1944

IN REPLY REFER TO 86433 D

Mrs. Fumiyo Sakaguchi
3518 A Kaau Street
Honolulu, Territory of Hawaii

Dear Mrs. Sakaguchi:

The Army Effects Bureau has received from overseas some property of your brother, Private Toshio Sasano.

To dispose of this property in accordance with existing instructions, it is necessary that we have certain information regarding his family. For that purpose I am inclosing an application and affidavit form, with the request that you complete and return it to this Bureau. Your local American Red Cross representative will help you on this, if necessary.

The property in our custody will be released as soon as possible after receipt of information needed for decision as to appropriate recipient.

Please be sure to use the inclosed self-addressed envelope which needs no postage in order to expedite delivery of the property.

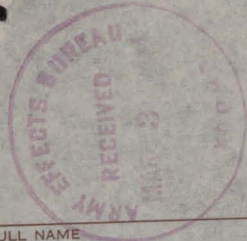
Yours very truly,

S. N. GREENSTEIN
Captain Q.M.C.
Assistant

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Form 2
Envelope

WAR DEPARTMENT
 THE ADJUTANT GENERAL'S OFFICE
 WASHINGTON
 REPORT OF DEATH

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DATE **29 February 1944**
Mullen/Jones 4628

86433

FULL NAME Sasano, Toshio		ARMY SERIAL NO. 30 102 354
GRADE Pvt	ARM OR SERVICE Infantry	DATE OF BIRTH 10 March 1918
HOME ADDRESS Honolulu, T. H.		
DATE OF DEATH 25 Jan 44	PLACE OF DEATH North African Area	CAUSE OF DEATH Killed in action
EMERGENCY ADDRESSEE (NAME, RELATIONSHIP, & ADDRESS) Mrs. Fumiyo Sakaguchi (sister) 3518 A Kaau St., Honolulu, T. H.		
BENEFICIARY (NAME, RELATIONSHIP, & ADDRESS) Mrs. Fumiyo Sakaguchi (sister) 3518 A Kaau St., Honolulu, T.H. Soldier declined to designate an alternate beneficiary.		

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF WAR:

THIS COPY FOR ARMY EFFECTS BUREAU

BATTLE

DANIEL J. REIDY

ADJUTANT GENERAL

INVENTORY OF EFFECTS

(See AR 600-550)

Sasano, Toshio (Last name) (30102354) (First name) (Middle initial) (Army serial number)

late a Pvt. (Grade) Co. A 100th Inf Bn (Organization or arm or service)

who died on the 25th day of Jan., 1944

CLASS I. — Saber, insignia, decorations, medals, campaign badges, watches, manuscripts, and other articles valuable chiefly as keepsakes.

NUMBER	ARTICLES	*PACKAGE NUMBER
✓ 1	Fountain pen	
✓ 1	Knife	
✓ 4	Books, religious	
6	Letters	
✓ 7	Italian post cards	
✓ 3	Photos	
✓ 2	Greeting cards	

*To be filled out only in case of shipment to The Adjutant General.

CLASS II. — Other effects

NUMBER	ARTICLES
✓ 1	Toilet article kit
✓ 1 pr.	Green shorts
✓ 1 "	Glasses w/case

