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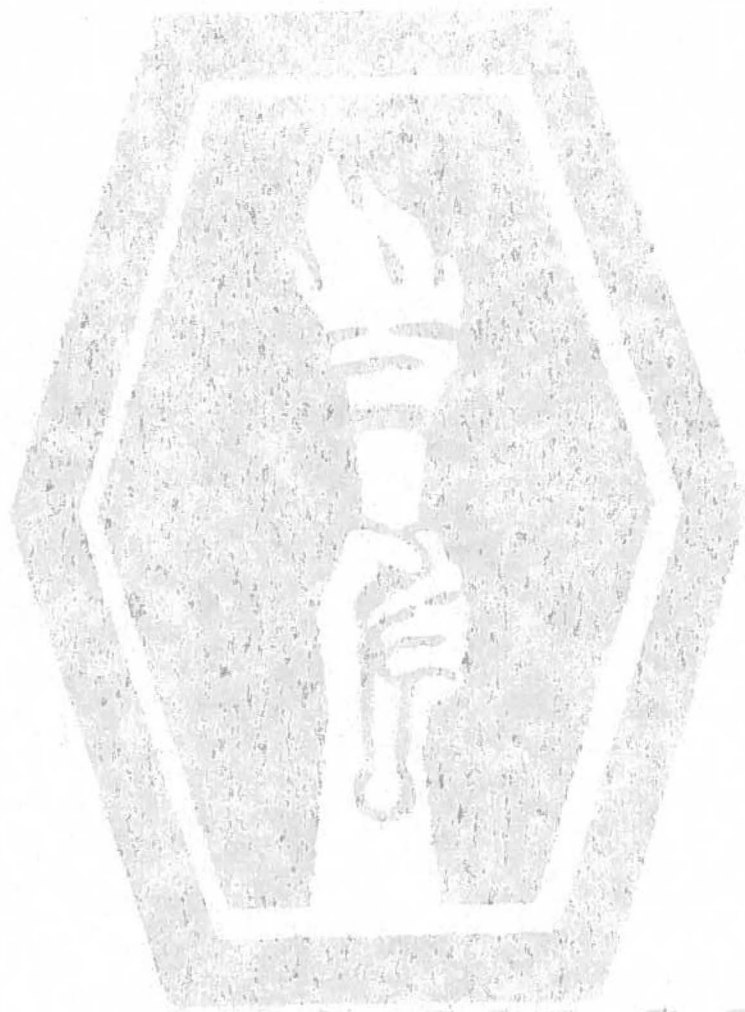
The World War II Story Of A Young Nisei Infantryman  
Fighting For His Country In The Hundredth Battalion.



**Kiyoshi Harry Shimizu**



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## FORWARD

In March of 1943, a young Nisei by the name of Kiyoshi Harry Shimizu entered the Army from his home on the island of Hawaii. He had volunteered to serve with the newly formed all Japanese-American regiment in order to prove his loyalty to the United States and to demonstrate to the white population of America that those Americans of Japanese descent came from loyal, patriotic families deserving of the nation's respect. By the end of the war, he and the other Nisei soldiers had done just that.

This account of a teen-age infantryman is written from the perspective of a typical "grunt", the individual on whom the burdens of war falls most heavily. Here is described the humor and the boredom and the fear of serving in a combat zone. After reading Shimizu's story, you will wonder why he was still alive at the end of the war. I have my theory, and I am glad he lived to tell his fascinating story.

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