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NISEI VETERANS & FAMILY
Interviewee form

Name GEORGE KANEKAI (Maiden name also, if applicable)

(please print)
Place of birth GARDENA, CALIFORNIA

Place of upbringing, if different WEST LOS ANGELES (FORMERLY SAUTELLE)

Number in family 4 CHILDREN What position in the family were you? 2 OF 4

What were the occupations of your mother? HOUSEWIFE & FARMER and
your father? FARMER & LANDSCAPE GARDNER

What village/district in Japan were they from? FUKUOKA, KYUSHU, JAPAN

Did your parents provide explicit training in Japanese language, customs and values?
yes _____ no _____ somewhat X

Please give examples:
How much education did you have? high school _____ college X

If you went to college, where, and what did you major in?

SANTA MONICA CITY COLLEGE

OUTBREAK of WAR

How old were you at war time? 25 How old were other members of family? 27/22/17

Were you and your family evacuated? YES from where? WEST LOS ANGELES

When were you evacuated? NO What assembly center were you taken to?

FAMILY TAKEN TO MANZANAR

Which camp(s) were you detained in? N/A

Did you leave camp to go to work or college? N/A If yes, please explain.

What year did you enter the service? 3/41 Where were you at the time? FT. ORD, CALIF.

Were you a volunteer? NO a draftee? YES

MILITARY

Where did you serve? AUSTRALIA, NEW GUINEA, PHILIPPINES, JAPAN

Which unit(s) were you with? ATIS, GWD, SWPA

What kind of work did you do? ADMINISTRATIVE - HQ.

Who were some of the other nisei in your unit? HARRY FUKUNARA, TOM SAKAMOTO,
GEORGE MATSU, BOB WAKASA Are you still in contact? YES

Who were some of your immediate officers? CAPT. DUVALL, CAPT O'BANNON
COL MASHBIR Are you still in contact? NO

FOR M.I.S. VETERANS:

Did you serve in the occupation of Japan? YES

If so, where? TOKYO + YOKOHAMA Doing what? ADMIN - 45 &
47-50 / CIC 50 - Under whose command? GHQ - G-2

How long did you serve there? 45 (3 mos) 47-50 (3 1/2 yrs) Did you get to know any Japanese nationals with whom you are still in contact? YES

Which other nisei served with you there? HARRY FUKUNARA
TOM SAKAMOTO, GEORGE MATSU, Are you still in contact? YES

POST-WAR (-Veterans and Family please answer)

Did you return to your home area after the war? NO

What situation did you return to? DIFFICULTY IN ADJUSTMENT
TO CIVILIAN LIFE.

If you have children, how old are they? What do they do, and where do they live?
3 - DAUGHTER 38, SON - 37, SON - 34; DAUGHTER - VAN NUYS, CA;
SON - SAN FERNANDO, CA; SON - MAUI, HI.

Thank you.

● CURRENT INFORMATION (Date: _____)
Name: _____
Address: _____
Zip _____
Phone(s) home and work: _____

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