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NISEI VETERANS & FAMILY  
Interviewee form

Name JIM MASARU ARIYASU (Maiden name also, if applicable)

(please print)  
Place of birth TURLOCK, CALIFORNIA

Place of upbringing, if different Family (11-12) MOVED TO PHOENIX ARIZONA WHEN 13

Number in family 9 (Sain's 4 boys) What position in the family were you? 3rd; (1st son)

What were the occupations of your mother? BUSINESS and  
your father? BUSINESS Restaurant, green pool Hall Dryclean (PHOENIX)

What village/district in Japan were they from? \_\_\_\_\_

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

Please give examples:  
How much education did you have? high school 4 college 2

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

*Wanted to help mother, really poor to buy, and a doctor*  
PHOENIX ARIZ; MAJORED IN PRE-MEDICAL Jr Year

OUTBREAK of WAR Accept; 26, 24, 20

How old were you at war time? 22 How old were other members of family? 18, 16, 14

Were you and your family evacuated? Family from where? PHOENIX

When were you evacuated? 1 WAS SERVING IN U.S. ARMY What assembly center were you taken to? 12, 40

Which camp(s) were you detained in? FAMILY INTERNED IN BOSTON CAMP

Did you leave camp to go to work or college? No If yes, please explain.

What year did you enter the service? May 8, 1942 Where were you at the time? Los Angeles CALIFORNIA

Were you a volunteer? No a draftee? Yes FORT Ord, Dickson, where

MILITARY → May 8, 1942, (1st Precedo class) 42; or 76 get out; came over White Paper, New

Where did you serve? PACIFIC  
Which unit(s) were you with? AMERICAN DIVISION

What kind of work did you do? TRANSLATION, INTERPRETATION OF  
JAPANESE LANGUAGED DOCUMENTS & INTERROGATION OF POW.  
Who were some of the other nisei in your unit? SHIGERU, MAC,

IWAO, ISAO, YOSHIO Are you still in contact? ONLY WITH 1

Who were some of your immediate officers? COL. LOUG, CAPT MITCHELL, CAPT  
WRY, CAPT. FOGG; Robert Montroy  
actn, CAPT. America, New Carolina  
Are you still in contact? No

FOR M. I. S. VETERANS:

Did you serve in the occupation of Japan? No, I DID NOT WANT TO ONLY TO SEE  
SUFFERING PEOPLE LIKE OTHER PLACES (SAW) DURING WWII + WHAT  
If so, where? DID TO PEOPLE, CAND, CITIES, MORALS, ETC. Doing what?

Under whose command? \_\_\_\_\_

How long did you serve there? \_\_\_\_\_ Did you get to know any Japanese nationals with whom you are still in contact? \_\_\_\_\_

Which other nisei served with you there? \_\_\_\_\_  
Are you still in contact? \_\_\_\_\_

POST-WAR (-Veterans and Family please answer)

Did you return to your home area after the war? Yes  
\* Camp life - destroyed.

What situation did you return to? PEOPLE LIVING IN FEAR, HATE, RUSTED  
MORALE, SUSPICIOUS OF EVERYONE, EGOTISICAL, SELF LOVE, AT THE  
VERY EBB OF HUMAN SURVIVAL INSTINCTS AND INSTANT REACTION  
TO ANY ACTION. NO LOVE - ONLY DEEP ROOTED HATE AND LIES.

If you have children, how old are they? What do they do, and where do they live?  
ONE, 36 YEARS - Employed by AVIATION AIR CRAFT. LIVES  
IN LOS ANGELES NEAR WEST L.A.

Thank you.

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