

KAI IUTA -- BIOGRAPHY

Ikaika “Kai” Iuta was born and raised in the state of Hawaii. His first name means “strength” in Hawaiian and his last name means “Judah” in Samoan. Ikaika is part Hawaiian, Japanese, Chinese, and Samoan. Ikaika attended a private Hawaiian school while he lived in Hawaii. After graduating in 2007, He attended Menlo College in Atherton, CA where he played football. After a year at Menlo College, he moved back home to Hawaii where he attended community college in Maui and the Big Island. In 2010, Ikaika joined the United States Army as Motor Transport Operator (88M). He was station at Fort Lewis, WA where he was assigned to the 3rd Stryker Brigade Combat Team. He was deployed for one year to Kandahar, Afghanistan attached to the 10th Mountain Division and 82nd Airborne Division. Ikaika separated from the Army in 2014 where he continued his education at Green River Community College. He graduated with an Associate of Arts Degree in December 2014. Ikaika enrolled at Texas Tech University in the Fall of 2015 and is currently pursuing a Bachelor of Arts in psychology. He plans to graduate in December 2017 and attend graduate school to become a school counselor.