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Grave of Imai Kanehira

Imai Kanehira was the child of Kiso Yoshinaka's wet nurse, and is known for his efforts during the Genpei War [1180-1185]. However, Kanehira committed suicide in 1184 after learning of the death of Yoshinaka during the nearby Battle of Awazu. His original grave was a simple mound located in the mountains, but at the turn of the 17th century, the lords of the Zeze Domain decided to build a proper grave for Kanehira, and relocate it to its current position near the old Tokkaido road. Various lanterns and stone monuments erected by the descendants of Kanehira remain and can be seen at the site.