

Colonel Robert E. Churchman Class 47-54

Colonel Churchman enlisted in the Army on February 12, 1953. He took his basic training with the 47th Infantry Division at Camp Rucker, Alabama. He entered the Artillery Officer Candidate School at Fort Sill, Oklahoma in July 1953 and graduated as a Second Lieutenant on January 26, 1954.

He served in various command and staff assignments in Japan, Germany, England, Fort Sill and in Vietnam on a Sector Advisory Team prior to a four- year tour with the U.S. Army Europe. He was promoted to Colonel on August 2, 1974 and was later assigned as Senior Army Advisor and Chief of Staff Augmentee to the 79th Army Reserve Command, which oversaw one hundred units in Pennsylvania.

Upon his retirement from the U.S. Army, Colonel Churchman took on the position of Chief of Staff with the Pennsylvania Emergency Management Agency for more than 17 years, retiring as the Director in 2002.