

Colonel Jack P. Edmundson (Class 64-43)

Colonel Edmundson was born in England in 1920 and arrived in the United States in 1922.

He was drafted into the Army on October 3, 1942 and sent to Fort Bragg, North Carolina for artillery training. He applied for and was selected to attend Field Artillery Officer Candidate School at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. He graduated from OCS on May 3, 1943 and became a U.S. Citizen a month later. He then attended the Battery Executive Officer Course at Fort Sill and was assigned to the Camp Roberts, California Replacement Center as a Training Officer.

Colonel Edmundson was eventually sent to a tent encampment at San Bernardino, California for desert training in preparation for assignment to the war effort in North Africa. He ended up in England in February 1944 and participated in the Normandy Invasion in June 1944.

He served with the 28th Infantry Division as a Forward Observer until VE Day and then started training for the planned invasion of Japan. With the War ending, he was shipped back home and discharged in August 1945.

Colonel Edmundson joined the U.S. Army Reserves and retired in 1976 at the rank of Colonel after 30 years of service. He was elected mayor of Aldan Borough, Pennsylvania and held that position for 17 years. He died on September 5, 2010.

