## **Brigadier General Carson R. Neifert (Class 13-42)**

General Neifert volunteered for military service on 18 June 1941. He served as Platoon Sergeant at the Field Artillery School at Fort Sill, Oklahoma, until he was selected to go to Officer Candidate School. Upon his graduation from Officer Candidate School, he was assigned to the Staff and faculty of the Artillery School until 7 June 1943 when he transferred to the 728th Field Artillery Battalion, Camp Claiborne, Louisiana, with assignment as Liaison Officer and Battery Commander.

On 20 April 1944, he was reassigned as Operation and Training Officer of the 803rd Field Artillery, Camp Barkeley, Texas; Camp Stoneman, California; and on Leyte in the Philippine Islands. He later served as Commanding Officer of the Battalion before his return to the United States in December 1945.

Upon his release from active duty on 18 February 1946, General Neifert reverted to the Organized Reserve Corps. On 6 June 1949, he accepted an appointment as a major in the Michigan Army National Guard with assignment as Executive Officer of the 246th Tank Battalion. He assumed command of the Battalion in September 1949 and was promoted to lieutenant colonel on 25 June 1950. On 8 June 1959, he was assigned to the position of Quartermaster General of Michigan which he held until 30 June 1967. He became Assistant Adjutant General for Army on 17 September 1959 and was appointed Deputy Director of the Department of Military Affairs on 30 June 1967. General Neifert was Federally recognized as a brigadier general on 1 December 1967.

Decorations and Awards: American Defense Service Medal; American Campaign Medal; Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal; Philippine Liberation Medal; Victory Medal; Armed Forces Reserve Medal.