

Colonel Carlisle R Petty, Jr. (Class 4-51)

Colonel Carlisle attended the Kentucky Military Institute and then enlisted in the Navy on May 31, 1943. He served in the Navy until June 30, 1947 and enlisted in the Army on September 8, 1950. He was commissioned a Second Lieutenant upon graduation from the Artillery Officer Candidate School at Fort Sill, Oklahoma on October 23, 1951. He was the honor graduate of his OCS class.

While in Korea he served as a Forward Observer with the 27th Infantry Regiment. He was promoted to Captain on December 18, 1956 and promoted to Major on November 21, 1962. He earned a BS degree from the University of Louisville in 1963 and graduated from the Command and General Staff College in 1964.

As a Major in 1965-66 he was assigned to the office of the Assistant Chief of Staff for Force Development (ACSFOR) and wrote the Quarterly Operational Reports- "Lessons Learned" for Army Digest. He was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel on September 20, 1966.

Colonel Petty was awarded the Silver Star for gallantry while serving as Commander of the 1st Battalion, 84th Artillery in Vietnam during 1967. While serving the 9th Infantry Division as Operations Officer in 1968 he was awarded the first Oak Leaf Cluster for the Legion of Merit as developer of the mobile artillery barge with a 155mm howitzer mounted on the floating platform. His other decorations include the Bronze Star and the Air Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters.