

Colonel Charles P. Biggio, Jr (Class 37-42)

Colonel Biggio enlisted in the Louisiana National Guard in 1938 and rose to the rank of Staff Sergeant. He was commissioned a Second Lieutenant upon graduation from the Field Artillery Officer Candidate School, Fort Sill Oklahoma on November 5, 1942. His initial assignment after graduation was to the 99th Infantry Division, Camp Van Dorn, Mississippi.

He fought in the European Theater of Operation during World War II and spent four- and one-half years there during the War and as a member of the Army of Occupation. He was promoted to Captain on December 21, 1945. He was commissioned a Regular Army officer in 1946 and later served with the 631st Armored Field Artillery Battalion.

He graduated from the Command and General Staff College in 1955.

Colonel Biggio was promoted to Major on October 26, 1950, while serving as an active-duty instructor to the 114th Field Artillery Battalion, Mississippi National Guard in Hattiesburg. He was promoted to Colonel on August 6, 1964 and graduated from the Army War College at Carlisle Barracks, Pennsylvania in 1967. His awards and decorations include the Bronze Star Medal and the Army Commendation Medal. He retired from the Army on February 28, 1973.