Colonel Paul Robert Buckley (Class 47-54)

Colonel Buckley was first enlisted in the Army from September 30, 1947 to October 1, 1950. After a break in service, he joined again on January 8, 1953 and was commissioned a Second Lieutenant on January 26, 1954 upon completion of the Artillery Officer Candidate School at Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

He was promoted to Captain on July 6, 1960 and was commissioned in the Regular Army on April 30, 1963. He earned a bachelor's degree in General Education from the University of Omaha in 1964 and was promoted to Major on March 16, 1965. He was promoted to Lieutenant Colonel on April 30. 1968 and later commanded a Field Artillery Battalion in Viet Nam. He was promoted to Colonel on March 5, 1975 and served in the office of the Army Chief of Staff.

Colonel Buckley's awards and decorations include the Legion of Merit with one Oak Leaf Cluster, The Bronze Sar Medal, The Meritorious Service Medal and the Air Medal with six Oak Leaf Clusters.