

## BIOGRAPHY

### COLONEL DAHL JOSEPH CENTO UNITED STATES ARMY

Colonel Joe Cento was born on 27 December 1933.

- 1955      Graduated from St. Louis University with Bachelor of Science Degree in General Studies.
- 1955      Inducted into the US Army as Private.
- 1956      Commissioned Second Lieutenant, Field Artillery, following completion of Officers' Candidate School.
- 1956-62   Troop and staff duties including battery command with airborne units in the US and Federal Republic of Germany.
- 1962-65   Instructor in Tactics and Combined Arms Department, US Army Field Artillery School following completion of the FA Officers' Advanced Course.
- 1965-66   Served in Republic of Vietnam following attendance at the MATA and Psychological Operations Course, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.
- 1966-68   Chief of Personnel Services Division, Assistant Chief of Staff, G-1, Fort Sill, Oklahoma.
- 1968-69   Attended the Armed Forces Staff College at Norfolk, Virginia.
- 1969-70   Assistant Secretary of the Joint Staff, United Nations Command, Republic of Korea.
- 1970-71   Assistant Secretary of the General Staff, Continental Army Command, Fort Monroe, Virginia.
- 1972-73   Studied at Washington University, St. Louis, Missouri. Received Master of Arts Degree in Guidance and Counseling.
- 1973-74   Assistant Professor of Military Science at Washington University.
- 1974-76   Professor of Military Science at Washington University.
- 1976-78   Commander of Staff and Faculty Battalion, US Army Field Artillery School, Fort Sill, Oklahoma.
- 1978-80   Attended course 52 at the NATO Defense College in Rome, Italy followed by the assignment as Faculty Advisor at that Institution.
- 1980-82   Commander, Area VI, First ROTC Region, Fort Bragg, North Carolina.
- 1982-83   Director, Personnel Training and Force Development, USAMICOM, Redstone Arsenal, AL
- 1983-Present - Commander, Redstone Arsenal Support Activity/Deputy Post Commander, Redstone Arsenal, AL

6. AWARDS AND DECORATIONS: Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal w/OLC, Joint Service Commendation Medal, Army Commendation Medal, Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Vietnam Service Medal, Army Service Ribbon, and Overseas Service Ribbon w/3.