

Colonel William C. Chamberlain (Class 22-52)

Colonel William C. Chamberlain was the Distinguished Military Graduate of Class 22-52. He began his enlisted service in the Air Force on April 10, 1950. After graduating from Artillery OCS on August 26, 1952, he served as a forward observer at Fort Campbell with the 11th Airborne Division, then with the 187th Airborne Regimental Combat Team in the Korean War.

He attended the army aviation school before commanding the 120th Assault Helicopter Company in Vietnam, then returned three years later to command the 52nd Combat Aviation Battalion at Pleiku. He also served as Inspector General for Eighth Army in Korea. His career culminated as Deputy Post Commander, Fort Hood.

His decorations include the Legion of Merit with three Oak Leaf Clusters, Distinguished Flying Cross with two Oak Leaf Clusters, Bronze Star Medal with One Oak Leaf Cluster and the Purple Heart. He retired in 1984.