

COLONEL RICHARD O. DALTON

CLASS 11-65

Colonel Dalton's initial assignment was as Training Officer Company H, 2nd Battalion, 1st Engineer Brigade, Fort Leonard Wood. In Vietnam he served as a Forward Observer with A Battery 1st Battalion, 7th Field Artillery and B Battery 2nd Battalion, 33rd Field Artillery. He also served as an Aerial Observer with DIVARTY 1st Infantry Division.

He then commanded a training company at Fort Polk. After attending Rotary Wing Flight School, Colonel Dalton commanded the Aviation Section HHC, 3rd Brigade, 2nd Infantry Division Korea and later served as Administrative Officer for the Wisconsin Army National Guard Advisors Office. His subsequent assignments included Detachment Commander, Aviation Platoon Leader and Group S-1, 12th Special Forces Group.

After being recalled to active duty Colonel Dalton served with the 86th US Army Reserve Command. He served as the USAR Advisor to the Commanding General, Fort Sill and Reserve Component Coordinator and Acting Chief, Reserve Component Division, Directorate of Plans and Training, Fort Sill. His career culminated as the OCONUS (Outside Continental United States) Mobilization/Operations Officer, U.S. Army Information Systems Command, Fort Huachuca, Arizona.

Colonel Dalton's decorations include the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star with V-device (with Oak Leaf Cluster), the Air Medal (9 Awards), the Meritorious Service Medal (with Oak Leaf Cluster) and the Army Commendation Medal (with Three Oak Leaf Clusters).