

BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH FOR THE FIELD ARTILLERY OCS HALL OF FAME

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Date of Rank					Awards and Decorations	
	2LT	1LT	CPT	MAJ	LTC	Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal w/Oak Leaf Cluster, Army General Staff ID Badge, Vietnam Cross of Gallantry w/silver star, Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal, Armed Forces Reserve Medal, Korean Service Medal, United Nations Service Medal, National Defense Service Medal w/Oak Leaf Cluster, Vietnam Campaign Medal, Vietnam Service Medal w/1 svc star, Three Overseas Service Bars, Good Conduct Service Medal
DOR	16DEC52	1954	1959	1964	13SEP67	
	COL	BG	MG	LTC	GEN	
Assignment History						
From	To	Organization	Station	Duty Title		
JUL 52	DEC 52	Commissioned	Ft. Sill, OK	N/A		
FEB 53	OCT 53	125th FA Bn	Ft. Rucker, AL	Btry XO		
NOV 53	DEC 55	424th/268th FA Bns	AFPE	Btry CO/S4		
MAR 56	MAY 57	66th AFA/ 78th AFA Bns	Ft. Hood, TX	Btry CO/S4		
MAY 57	NOV 57	Arty Asc. Advance Course	Ft. Sill, OK	Student		
NOV 57	NOV 58	2d Bn/78thFA/4thAD	USAEUR	Btry XO		
NOV 58	SEP 60	2d Bn/78th FA/4thAD	USAEUR	Btry CO/ Bn FDO		
NOV 60	JUL 63	US Army Advisory Group	Baton Rouge, LA	USAR Advisor		
JUL 63	DEC 63	US Army Cmd & General Staff College	Ft. Leavenworth, KS	Student		
JAN 64	JAN 65	1st ARVN Div/I Corps	Republic of So. Vietnam	Sr. ARTY Advisor		
Mar 65	JAN 67	Ofc of Field Manuals & Policy Division	Ft. Sill, OK	Division Chief		

Assignment History (Continued)

Date From	Date To	Organization	Station	Duty Title
JAN 67	JUL 69	Ofc of the Chief of Staff/Army Staff Communications Division	Pentagon, Washington, DC	Branch Chief
JUL 69	AUG 70	5thBn/1st TnBdc/USATC	Ft. Campbell, KY	Bn CO
OCT 70	OCT 71	G4/Log Ops/HQ. 8th Army	USARPAC, Korea	Chief of Operations Div.
NOV 71	JAN 72	USATC	Ft. Campbell, KY	Assistant to Deputy Cmdr
JAN 72	Present	Retired (20 years)		

General Remarks

1.	In early 1964, in Vietnam, was first to initiate effective artillery defensive fire to protect convoys by planning fire on all fixed kilometer markers and moving firing data immediately ahead of moving convoys. The convoy EO or CO had only to holler "ambush-fire"! Proved very effective and soon was adopted all over Vietnam.
2.	While in Ofc of the Chief of Staff/Staff Communications Division, using guidance provided by the Chief of Staff/Army and the Secretary to the General Staff, assigned "action" and "info" to the general and special staff agencies as appropriate.
3.	Was on duty in the Ofc of the Chief of Staff/Army (General Westmoreland's ofc), when the 6-Day War began. Alerted the Chief based on intelligence reports approximately 3 hours before the actual attack occurred. Called all general staff members to duty before daylight.
4.	Drafted General Officer retirement letters for the Chief of Staff/Army.
5.	In May 1963, was sent as the personal representative of 4th Army commander to coordinate the reactivation of Camp Polk, LA and it's redesignation as Ft. Polk.
6.	Initiated into PHI KAPPA PHI Academic Honor Society (Memphis State Univ.) and the Liberal Arts Academic Honor Society (Louisiana State Univ.).

7.		Served as Commander, Memphis Chapter (tri-state area) of Military Order of World Wars	
8.		Planned and established the original (1984), and annually recurring tradition of, "Massing of the Colors" for all military and ROTC units in the area.	
9.		Served 8 years (2 as chairman) on the DeSoto County, MS planning commission. At the time DeSoto County was ranked as one of the fastest growing counties in the country.	
10.		In addition to other responsibilities, served 10 years as a member and/or chairman of the Heart Fund Association for north Mississippi (9 counties).	
11.		Member of the Southaven, MS Rotary Club for the last 30 years. Served as president for 1 year. Was honored with the distinction of being inducted as a "Paul Harris Fellow" for service to the club, the community, the state and our nation throughout the years.	
12.		In 1979, was elected to the Mississippi State Senate and served 12 years: spent 2 years as Chairman of the Committee on Constitutional Affairs; 4 years as vice-chairman, then 4 years as Chairman of the Military Affairs Committee, 8 years on both the Appropriations Committee and the Transportation Committee.	
13.		Authored and sponsored a constitutional amendment which, for the first time in almost 100 years, permitted the governor to succeed himself in office.	
14.		Authored and sponsored an act entitled "Racketeering Influenced and Corrupt Organizations" Act. A state RICO act modeled after the earlier federal RICO act; a badly needed state law. Co-sponsored a bill to overhaul the state ethics law. This led several elected and public officials to leave office.	
15.		Earlier, in the 1970's, led a group of citizens to our state capital and testified before the legislature for a law that gave our community, of over 20,000, a temporary "window of opportunity" to successfully incorporate itself.	
16.		Drafted and co-sponsored a "4-Lane Highway Construction" bill that added over 1,100 miles of new, interstate-quality Mississippi highway system; personally had added the first and largest 9-lane bridge and cloverleaf at a critical interchange.	

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MILITARY SCHOOLS

22 weeks	1952	Artillery Officer Candidate School	Ft. Sill, OK
18 weeks	1957	Artillery Officer Associate Advance Course	Ft. Sill, OK
18 weeks	1963	US Army Command & General Staff College	Ft. Leavenworth, KS
1 week	1962	Nuclear Weapons Refresher Course	Ft. Sill, OK
1 week	1965	Nuclear Weapons Refresher Course	Ft. Sill, OK

17.	Charter member, and an organizer, of the DeSoto County Economic Development Council. A successful and ongoing group that led this county to become one of the "top 10" fastest growing in the nation, both, population-wise and economically.
18.	As a state senator, authored and sponsored a successful effort to pass an enabling act to permit the Baptist Health Care System to build a large, state of the art, hospital in our county. The original state law and federal regulations had precluded this.
19.	Authored and successfully sponsored a bill to produce and make available a special automobile tag to ALL armed forces retirees; regulars, reservists, guardsmen and coast guard. These were designed by representatives of their respective organizations- after three earlier unsuccessful efforts.
20.	Authored and successfully sponsored a bill providing for \$250,000.00 in matching funds to establish a Mississippi monument at Shiloh National Military Park and Cemetery. Mississippi lost more men there than any other state, yet was one of only three states without a memorial monument.
21.	Organized, in the early 1970's, and served two terms as the first president of our church council.