

COLONEL JOHN J. MacGREGOR

CLASS 19-42

Colonel MacGregor was drafted into the Army in 1941 at the age of 29. After basic training at Fort Sill, he served as Scout Corporal with H Battery, 188th Field Artillery Battalion, Fort Francis, Wyoming. All draftees over the age of 28 were then released from active duty and in 1942 he joined the 776thTank Destroyer Battalion at Fort Lewis, Washington as a cannoneer prior to attending Officer Candidate School at Fort Sill. His first assignment was with the 11th Field Artillery Training Battalion, Camp Roberts, California as a training Instructor.

He then served as Service Battery Commander, 365th Field Artillery Battalion, 88th Division, Camp White, Oregon and later the Adjutant, Combined Arms Department Field Artillery School, Fort Sill. He commanded B Battery, 1st Field Artillery Battalion, XX Corps enroute to the Philippines and Manila Staging Area and later in Inchon and Chinju, Korea.

After demobilization and discharge in 1946, Colonel MacGregor served in a variety of assignments in the US Army Reserve. He was a G-3 Section Staff Officer with the 13th Armored Division and Assistant G-3, 63rd Infantry Division, Fort MacArthur, California. His career culminated as the Mobilization Designee, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations and Plans, Headquarters, Department of the Army, The Pentagon, Washington, D.C.

Colonel MacGregor's decorations include the American Campaign Medal, the Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Medal, American Defense Service Medal and the World War II Victory Medal.