



**COLONEL  
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**CLASS 117-66**

Colonel McKiniry served as a Nuclear Weapons Electronic Specialist NCO prior to attending Field Artillery Officer Candidate School. His initial assignment after graduation was Assistant S-3, 7th Battalion, 15th Artillery at Fort Bragg and during deployment to Vietnam. He then served in variety of positions with Headquarters Battery and A Battery, 6th Battalion, 32nd Artillery in Vietnam. At Fort Lewis, Washington he served as Materiel and Nuclear Weapons Officer 80th Ordnance Battalion and Commander 63rd Ordnance Company.

While serving with the 353rd Civil Affairs Command he performed duties in U.S. European Command to include Political Analyst, Subject Matter and Chief USEUCOM Briefer at the Theater Logistical Control Center during major exercises. He also served as logistician for the Mariel Boat Lift Resettlement camp at Fort Indiantown Gap, Pennsylvania

He volunteered for active duty during Desert Shield and Desert Storm, and served as Subject Matter Expert in Special Operations, Civil Affairs and Psychological Operations (PSYOPS), U.S. Special Operations Command, MacDill AFB, Florida. His career culminated as Chief of Staff and Director of Special Functions, Headquarters, 353rd Civil Affairs Command, Bronx, New York.

Colonel McKiniry's decorations include the Bronze Star Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal (with Three Oak Leaf Clusters), the Joint Service Commendation Medal and the Army Commendation Medal (with Four Oak Leaf Clusters).