



**COLONEL
JOHN L. McPARTLAND**

CLASS 21-66

Colonel McPartland served as an enlisted man with the 82nd Airborne Division, Fort Bragg, North Carolina and the 8th Infantry Division in Europe prior to attending Artillery Officer Candidate School. His initial assignment as a Lieutenant was Communications Division Instructor with the Field Artillery School. He then served a tour in Vietnam with the 108th Field Artillery Group as an Aerial Observer. He returned to Fort Sill as an instructor for nine months prior to a second tour in Vietnam, where he served as Assistant Tactical Operations Center S-2, 199th Light Infantry Brigade and later Assistant S-3, 2nd Battalion, 40th Artillery.

He then served in a variety of assignments with the United States Army Reserve Force Schools in California to include Director of the MOS and NCO Academy, CGSC and OAC Instructor, Assistant Commandant and Director of Enlisted Courses. He later served as Commander, Seaport of Embarkation, U.S. Army Garrison, San Francisco.

During Desert Shield Colonel McPartland was mobilized for Logistical Support of Seaport Operations in preparation for the ground offensive. He served during Desert Storm as a FORSCOM special representative at West Coast Ports for redeployment operations. He was also mobilized during 1994 and served with the California Office of Emergency Services in support of the Northridge Earthquake. His career culminated as a plans and Operations officer, FEMA Region IX, Sacramento, California.

Colonel McPartland's decorations include the Distinguished Flying Cross, the Bronze Star Medal, the Meritorious Service Medal (with Oak Leaf Cluster), the Air Medal (9 awards) and the Army Commendation Medal.