



Artillery OCS Hall of Fame

Colonel Edward C. Rushkowski Class 52-54

Colonel Rushkowski was initially assigned to 11th Field Artillery Battalion, Army Forces Far East (AFFE), where he served as a Recon and Survey Officer, Forward Observer and Service Battery Commander. He later served as Battery Executive Officer 187th Airborne Field Artillery Battalion at Fort Campbell, Kentucky. In Germany he served with the 265th Field Artillery Battalion as a Gun Platoon Commander and Battery Executive Officer. He later commanded Battery B, 3rd Missile Battalion (280mm) 81st Artillery and was the Assistant Operations Officer 1st Howitzer Battalion, 2nd Artillery.

As a member of the Massachusetts Army National Guard 3rd Battalion, 5th Artillery he served first as the Adjutant and later commanded a battery. After attending the Command and General Staff College he served a tour with Military Assistance Command Vietnam (MACV) as an Assistant G-3 Operations Advisor in I Corps and then returned to the National Guard in Boston as an Active Guard and Reserve (AGR) Artillery Advisor.

Colonel Rushkowski went on to serve as a Nuclear Weapons Officer at U.S. Army Pacific Headquarters followed by command of 1st Battalion 79th Artillery, 7th Division with duty in Korea.

He then served more than six years as Plans Officer, first at Headquarters Pacific Command, then at the Pentagon and finally at the USA Enhanced Launcher Electronic System (ELES) Office of the Joint Chiefs of Staff in Washington D.C. He culminated his career as the Chief of the National Military Command System [NMCS] Support Division.

Colonel Rushkowski's decorations include the Defense Superior Service Medal, The Legion of Merit and the Meritorious Service Medal.