



**Colonel
William R. Spores
Class 2-69**

Following graduation from OCS at Fort Sill, Colonel Spores served a tour in Vietnam with A Battery, 2nd Battalion, 94th Field Artillery. He was next assigned to Fort Carson, Colorado where he Commanded HHB, 4th Battalion, 94th Field Artillery (Redeye Missile) and later served as a Battery Executive with HHB, 1st Battalion, 19th Field Artillery.

He continued his military service in the Army Reserves as a Company Commander and Training Officer with the 104th Division (Training). He then began his career with the Oregon National Guard as Headquarters Troop Motor Officer, 3rd Battalion, 116th Armored Cavalry Regiment. He later Commanded the 3rd Battalion Howitzer Battery and served as the Battalion Operations Officer.

Subsequent assignments included service as 82nd Rear Area Operations Center Task Force Commander, Commandant of the Oregon Military Academy, Command of 1st Battalion, 82nd Cavalry (Mechanized), Training Officer, Oregon Army National Guard State Area Command (STARC) and Operations Officer Troop Command Brigade. After attending the Army War College at Carlisle Barracks, he served in a succession of assignments with increasing responsibility beginning with duty as Operations Officer of the 41st Infantry Brigade (Separate).

At STARC Headquarters in Salem, Oregon his assignments included Active Guard and Reserve Manager, Deputy Chief of Staff for Personnel, Deputy Chief of Staff for Operations and Deputy U.S. Property and Fiscal Officer.

Colonel Spores' decorations include the Legion of Merit, the Bronze Star and the Meritorious Service Medal with five Oak Leaf Clusters.