Colonel John P. Weiss (Class 8-69)

COL Weiss enlisted into the U.S. Army on 6 June 1968, and was sent to basic training at Ft. Gordon, GA. After completing basic training, he was sent to Advanced Individual Training (13E) and was assigned to Ft. Sill, OK. He started FA-OCS, class 8-69, after completing AIT and graduated on 29 April 1969. His first assignment was to Headquarters and Headquarters Battery as a tactical officer USAFAS Bde at Ft. Sill.

On 20 August 1969 he was transferred to Chunchor, Korea and was assigned to the Battery B, 1st Bn 42d FA (Honest John) as special weapons team leader until his transfer to 4th USA Missile Command Chunchor, Korea on 10 January 1970 as the detachment commander of maximum security, area 42. He was transferred to Gilenkirchen, Germany on 1 October 1970 and assigned to the 85th USA Artillery (DET) Pershing as the assistant team leader and then the team leader.

On 13 April 1972 COL Weiss left active duty and was assigned to the Individual Ready Reserve until 28 September 1972, when he joined 535th MP Battalion in Columbus, Ohio as the S-4. On 1 July 1977 he transferred to the 364th Engineer Group, Columbus, Ohio serving on the S-4 and Engineer Equipment Maintenance Officer until he returned to active duty in the Active Guard Reserve (AGR) Program and was assigned as the staff training assistant to the 364th Engineer Group.

COL Weiss left the 364th Engineer Group to attend the Inspector General Course and was assigned as the Inspector General, Ft. Gillem, GA for 51 months. On 5 July 1988 COL Weiss left Ft. Gillem and reported to HHC, 478 Engineer Bn, Ft. Thomas, KY as the Battalion Commander until being assigned to HQDA, as a mobilization planner for ODCSOPS on 14 September 1992.

He was then assigned to the U.S. Army Reserve Personnel Center, St. Louis, MO, as the Director, Mobilization, Operation, and Training.

His military education includes the Field Artillery Officer Advance Course, MP Officer Advance Course, Engineer Officer Advance Course, Command and General Staff College, Mobilization Deployment Planner Course.

His awards and decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters and the Army Commendation Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters.