

BRIGADIER GENERAL RONALD R. WOODIN

Deputy Adjutant General

Iowa National Guard

MILITARY HISTORY

- March 1943 - Graduated from ROTC Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa
- 2 April 1943 - Entered Officer Candidate School Class #72, Fort Sill, OK
(He was a member of the Iowa State ROTC Class pulled out
(before graduation in June to go to OCS, Fort Sill, Ok)
- 8 July 1943 - Graduated from Officer Candidate School Class #72 and

COMMISSIONED SECOND LIEUTENANT FIELD ARTILLERY

- 8 July - 31 Dec 1943 - Fort Sill, OK (Military Schools)
- 1 Jan - 13 Feb 1944 - 358th Field Artillery Battalion, 95th Division,
Camp Coxcomb, Desert Center, CA
- 1 Mar - June 1944 - Battery B, 358th Field Artillery, 95th Division,
Indiantown Gap, Lebanon, PA - Liaison & Motor Officer
- June - July 1944 - 563rd Field Artillery Battalion, 89th Division,
Camp Butner, Durham, North Carolina
- July - Nov 1944 - Fort Sill, OK - (Military Schools)
- 1 Dec - 30 Dec 1944 - Fort Bragg, Fayetteville, NC
- 1 Jan 1945 - Replacement to 356th Field Artillery, 94th Division as a
"Forward Observer" serving in France, Belgium, Germany,
European Theater Operations. After peace was declared, he
served with the Army of Occupation helping displaced persons
and families return home. He also coached the Army Track Team
while on duty with the Army of Occupation in Czechoslovakia.

1945 - PROMOTED TO FIRST LIEUTENANT

- 12 Feb 1946 - Returned to the United States and released from the Regular
Army to return to Iowa State College, Ames, Iowa to finish
his Degree, graduating December 1946. While teaching in Leon
and Harlan, Iowa Public Schools, he maintained his commission
in Iowa Army Reserve Units, continuing with correspondence
courses from 1 Jan 1947 - 1 March 1951.
- 12 Feb 1951 - Recalled to Active duty
- 1 Mar 1951 - Reported to 3rd Armored Field Artillery Battalion, 2nd Armored
Division, Fort Hood, Killeen, Texas
- July 1951 - Division departed Fort Hood, Texas arriving at Coleman Barracks,
Mannheim. Germany where he served as Battery Commander and
Communications Officer, 3rd Armored Field Artillery Battalion.
He was cleared for "Top Secret" and served as a Courier relaying
information to other units in Germany.
- 30 June 1953 - PROMOTED TO CAPTAIN
- 16 June 1954 - Returned Stateside and again released from regular duty. He
returned to teaching in Harlan, Iowa and continued the
Army correspondence courses while in a Reserve Unit.
- Dec 1954 - Joined the 168th Infantry Battalion, 34th Division, Council
Bluffs, Iowa as Communications Officer

Military History continued:

May 1959 - He transferred to the 234th Signal Battalion, 34th Division, Iowa National Guard, Red Horse Armory, Des Moines, IA serving as S-3, Operations Officer.

24 June 1959 - PROMOTED TO MAJOR

and served as Executive Officer of the Signal Battalion.

1963 - Assigned Battalion Commander, 234th Signal Battalion

23 June 1963 - PROMOTED TO LIEUTENANT COLONEL

1966 - He was reassigned to Headquarters, Iowa National Guard, Camp Dodge, Des Moines, IA as State ARNG Personnel Officer.

1968 - PROMOTED TO COLONEL

August 1969 - He was appointed the Deputy Adjutant General of Iowa, Iowa National Guard, by Robert D. Ray, Governor of Iowa, and

PROMOTED TO BRIGADIER GENERAL.

10 August 1970 - Federal Recognition to Brigadier General received from the President of the United States, signed by A.R. Resor, Secretary of the Army.

1 September 1977 - Appointed Acting Adjutant General serving until 4 January 1978 when the new Adjutant General was appointed.

5 Jan - 30 June 1978 - Returned to duties as Deputy Adjutant General until he resigned from the Iowa National Guard 30 June 1978.

1 March 1980 - Ronald Richard Woodin, HHD Iowa ARNG was appointed

MAJOR GENERAL, RETIRED

in service to the Iowa National Guard, State of Iowa by Robert D. Ray, Governor of Iowa.

22 November 1982:

By direction of the President with advice and consent of the Senate: Department of the Army, Office of the Adjutant General, St. Louis, MO

"You are retired and placed on the Retired List of "AUS Retired" in the grade of Brigadier General for an indefinite time subject to recall for four years".

He served in the reserves and on Active Duty for 39 years, 10 months, 9 days: World War II, the Korean War and the Iowa National Guard.

MILITARY EDUCATION

1939 - 1943 - ROTC, Iowa State (Land Grant) College, Ames, Iowa

2 April - 8 July 1943 - Officer Candidate School, Class #72, Fort Sill. OK
July - 30 Dec 1943 - Military Schools - Staff????

July - 7 Oct 1944 - 563rd FA Battalion, Fort Sill, OK, Officer's Motor School, Class #87

8 Oct - 4 Nov 1944 - 563rd FA Battalion, Fort Sill, OK, Full Track and Vehicle Course, Class #55

4 Jan - 10 March 1952 - EUCOM Signal School Communications Course, Ansback, Germany, while with the 94th Division in Germany.

1 April 1958 - U.S. Army Infantry School, Associated Infantry Officers Advanced Course, Fort Benning, GA.

June 1961 - U.S. Army Signal School, Associate Signal Officer Refresher Course, Fort Monmouth, NJ

1961 - Jan 1962 - U.S. Army Signal School, Associate Signal Officer Career Course, Fort Monmouth, NJ

16 Dec 1967 - U.S. Army - Graduated - Command & General Staff Officer Course, Fort Leavenworth, KS

June 1969 - to Washington, D.C Military School, Ft. McNair, VA

Feb 1970 - Labor Management School, Palo Alto, CA

12 June 1970 - SEADOC - U.S. Army Military Police School, Class #37, Civil Disturbance and Orientation Course, Fort Gordon, GA

1972 - Secretary of the Army, Office of Civil Defense, Staff College Defense Strategy Seminar, Battle Creek, MI

April 1973 - U.S. Army Armor School - Senior Officer Preventative Maintenance Course, Fort Knox, KY

Feb 1974 - U.S. Army War College - Senior Reserve Component Officer Course #12, Carlisle Barracks, Carlisle, PA.

Sept 1975 - Department of the Army, Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana Personnel Management Conference for Executives. Held in Brown County, Indiana

MILITARY AWARDS and DECORATIONS

American Campaign Medal

World War II Victory Medal

Armed Forces Reserve Medal with 2 devices

European Theatre Medal with Rhineland and Central Europe Campaign Stars. (two Bronze Stars)

Army of Occupation Medal, Germany

National Defense Service Medal

20 Year Service Ribbon, National Guard