



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

Lineage and Honors

**2d BATTALION
44th AIR DEFENSE ARTILLERY REGIMENT**

Constituted 2 August 1901 in the Regular Army as the 101st Company, Coast Artillery, Artillery Corps

Organized in August 1901 at Fort Totten, New York

Redesignated 2 February 1907 as the 101st Company, Coast Artillery Corps

Reorganized and redesignated 30 June 1916 as the 2d Company, Fort Totten [New York]

Reorganized and redesignated 22 July 1917 as Battery G, 7th Provisional Regiment, Coast Artillery Corps

Reorganized and redesignated 5 February 1918 as Battery G, 52d Artillery (Coast Artillery Corps)

Reorganized and redesignated 26 March 1918 as the 3d Battery, Howitzer Regiment, 30th Brigade, Coast Artillery Corps

Reorganized and redesignated 7 August 1918 as Battery A, 44th Artillery (Coast Artillery Corps)

Inactivated 31 August 1921 at Camp Jackson, South Carolina

(Additionally designated 1 June 1922 as the 101st Company, Coast Artillery Corps; additional designation abolished 1 July 1924)

Redesignated 1 July 1924 as Battery A, 44th Coast Artillery

Redesignated 13 January 1941 as Battery A, 54th Coast Artillery

Activated 10 February 1941 at Camp Wallace, Texas

Reorganized and redesignated 5 June 1944 as Battery A, 606th Coast Artillery Battalion

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Disbanded 3 August 1944 at Camp Livingston, Louisiana

Reconstituted 28 June 1950 in the Regular Army; concurrently consolidated with Battery A, 54th Armored Field Artillery Battalion (active) (see ANNEX), and consolidated unit designated as Battery A, 54th Armored Field Artillery Battalion, an element of the 3d Armored Division

Inactivated 1 October 1957 in Germany and relieved from assignment to the 3d Armored Division

Redesignated 21 March 1958 as Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 2d Automatic Weapons Battalion, 44th Artillery, and activated at Fort Lewis, Washington (organic elements concurrently constituted and activated)

Battalion inactivated 26 July 1960 at Fort Lewis, Washington

Redesignated 30 March 1962 as the 2d Battalion, 44th Artillery

Activated 22 June 1962 at Fort Sill, Oklahoma

Inactivated 1 September 1971 at Fort Sill, Oklahoma; concurrently redesignated as the 2d Battalion, 44th Air Defense Artillery

Activated 13 September 1972 in Korea

Inactivated 30 September 1977 in Korea

Assigned 16 March 1988 to the 101st Airborne Division and activated at Fort Campbell, Kentucky

Relieved 16 October 2004 from assignment to the 101st Airborne Division

Redesignated 1 October 2005 as the 2d Battalion, 44th Air Defense Artillery Regiment

ANNEX

Constituted 1 October 1933 in the Regular Army as Battery A, 54th Field Artillery

Redesignated 13 January 1941 as Battery A, 54th Field Artillery Battalion, an element of the 3d Armored Division

Activated 15 April 1941 at Camp Beauregard, Louisiana

Reorganized and redesignated 1 January 1942 as Battery A, 54th Armored Field Artillery Battalion

Inactivated 10 November 1945 in Germany

Activated 15 July 1947 at Fort Knox, Kentucky

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CAMPAIGN PARTICIPATION CREDIT

World War I

- *Champagne-Marne
- *St. Mihiel
- *Lorraine 1918
- Alsace 1918
- *Champagne 1918

World War II

- Aleutian Islands
(with arrowhead)
- Northern Solomons
- Eastern Mandates
- Leyte
- Ryukyus
- *Normandy
- *Northern France
- *Rhineland
- *Ardennes-Alsace
- *Central Europe

Korean War

- UN Defensive
- UN Offensive
- CCF Intervention
- First UN Counteroffensive
- CCF Spring Offensive
- UN Summer-Fall Offensive
- Second Korean Winter
- Korea, Summer-Fall 1952
- Third Korean Winter
- Korea, Summer 1953

Southwest Asia

- *Defense of Saudi Arabia
- *Liberation and Defense of Kuwait

War on Terrorism

Afghanistan:

- *Consolidation III

Iraq:

- *Liberation of Iraq
- *Transition of Iraq
- *Iraqi Governance
- *National Resolution
- *Iraqi Surge

(Additional campaigns
to be determined)

DECORATIONS

Presidential Unit Citation (Army), Streamer embroidered BEACHES OF NORMANDY
(earned by the 54th Armored Field Artillery Battalion)

Presidential Unit Citation (Army), Streamer embroidered ST. LO (earned by the 54th
Armored Field Artillery Battalion)

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*Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered SOUTHWEST ASIA
1990-1991

*Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered SOUTHWEST ASIA 2003

*Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered IRAQ 2008-2009

*Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered AFGHANISTAN 2010-
2011

Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered CENTRAL AND
SOUTHWEST ASIA 2016

*Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered AFGHANISTAN 2018

*Belgian Fourragere 1940

*Cited in the Order of the Day of the Belgian Army for action in Belgium

*Cited in the Order of the Day of the Belgian Army for action in the Ardennes

Battery A additionally entitled to:

Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered AFGHANISTAN JAN-
OCT 2014

Battery B additionally entitled to:

Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered IRAQ APR 2008 -
APR 2009

Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered AFGHANISTAN JUN
2013 - MAR 2014

Battery C additionally entitled to:

Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered SOUTHWEST ASIA
2005

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:


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