



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

Lineage and Honors

**4th BATTALION, 42d FIELD ARTILLERY
(STRAIGHT ARROWS)**

Constituted 5 July 1918 in the National Army as Battery D, 42d Field Artillery, an element of the 14th Division

Organized 10 August 1918 at Camp Custer, Michigan

Demobilized 7 February 1919 at Camp Custer, Michigan

Reconstituted 1 October 1933 in the Regular Army as Battery D, 42d Field Artillery

Absorbed 1 October 1940 by Battery A, 42d Field Artillery Battalion (Battery A, 42d Field Artillery, redesignated 1 October 1940 as Battery A, 42d Field Artillery Battalion, and activated at Fort Benning, Georgia, as an element of the 4th Division [later redesignated as the 4th Infantry Division]; inactivated 16 February 1946 at Camp Butner, North Carolina; activated 15 July 1947 at Fort Ord, California; consolidated 28 June 1950 with Battery A, 42d Coast Artillery Battalion [organized in 1907], and consolidated unit designated as Battery A, 42d Field Artillery Battalion)

Former Battery D, 42d Field Artillery, reconstituted 1 April 1957 in the Regular Army and redesignated as Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 4th Battalion, 42d Artillery

Redesignated 23 April 1959 as Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 4th Howitzer Battalion, 42d Artillery, and assigned to the 4th Infantry Division (organic elements concurrently constituted)

Battalion activated 6 May 1959 at Fort Lewis, Washington

Redesignated 1 October 1963 as the 4th Battalion, 42d Artillery

Inactivated 15 December 1970 at Fort Carson, Colorado

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Redesignated 1 September 1971 as the 4th Battalion, 42d Field Artillery

Activated 16 January 1996 at Fort Hood, Texas

CAMPAIGN PARTICIPATION CREDIT

World War I

Alsace 1918

World War II

- * Normandy (with arrowhead)
- * Northern France
- * Rhineland
- * Ardennes-Alsace
- * Central Europe

Vietnam

- * Counteroffensive, Phase II
- * Counteroffensive, Phase III
- * Tet Counteroffensive
- * Counteroffensive, Phase IV
- * Counteroffensive, Phase V
- * Counteroffensive, Phase VI
- * Tet 69/Counteroffensive
- * Summer-Fall 1969
- * Winter-Spring 1970
- * Sanctuary Counteroffensive
- * Counteroffensive, Phase VII

DECORATIONS

* Presidential Unit Citation (Army), Streamer embroidered LUXEMBOURG

* 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

* Republic of Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Palm, Streamer embroidered VIETNAM
1966-1969

* Republic of Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Palm, Streamer embroidered VIETNAM
1969-1970

* Republic of Vietnam Civil Action Honor Medal, First Class, Streamer embroidered
VIETNAM 1966-1969

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Battery A additionally entitled to:

Presidential Unit Citation (Army), Streamer embroidered DAK TO DISTRICT

Valorous Unit Award, Streamer embroidered DUC LAP

Battery B additionally entitled to:

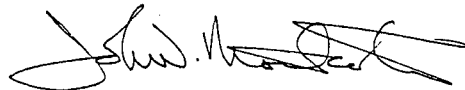
Valorous Unit Award, Streamer embroidered PLEIKU PROVINCE

Valorous Unit Award, Streamer embroidered CENTRAL HIGHLANDS

Battery C additionally entitled to:

Valorous Unit Award, Streamer embroidered KONTUM

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:



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