

Department of the army Lineage and Honors

# 242d CHEMICAL PLATOON

Constituted 7 September 1943 in the Army of the United States as the 242d Chemical Composite Company

Activated 31 December 1943 in the Panama Canal Zone

Reorganized and redesignated 12 March 1945 as the 242d Chemical Service Company

Reorganized and redesignated 19 December 1945 as the 242d Chemical Supply Detachment

Allotted 2 February 1946 to the Regular Army

Reorganized and redesignated 20 October 1953 as the 242d Chemical Service Platoon

Reorganized and redesignated 15 September 1954 as the 242d Chemical Platoon

Inactivated 20 April 1956 in the Panama Canal Zone

Redesignated 26 August 1959 as the 242d Chemical Detachment

Activated 8 September 1959 at Fort McClellan, Alabama

Inactivated 7 April 1970 in Vietnam

Assigned 21 July 1978 to the 1st Armored Division and activated in Germany

Inactivated 20 September 1979 in Germany and relieved from assignment to the 1st Armored Division

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Activated 16 September 1982 in Germany

Inactivated 15 October 1991 in Germany

Redesignated 23 March 2006 as the 242d Chemical Platoon

Activated 16 October 2007 at Fort Polk, Louisiana

#### CAMPAIGN PARTICIPATION CREDIT

World War II American Theater, Streamer without inscription

Vietnam Defense Counteroffensive Counteroffensive, Phase II Counteroffensive, Phase III Tet Counteroffensive Counteroffensive, Phase IV Counteroffensive, Phase V Counteroffensive, Phase V Counteroffensive, Phase VI Tet 69/Counteroffensive Summer-Fall 1969 Winter-Spring 1970

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#### DECORATIONS

Republic of Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Palm, Streamer embroidered VIETNAM 1965-1968

Republic of Vietnam Civil Action Honor Medal, First Class, Streamer embroidered VIETNAM 1965-1970

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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