



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

*Lineage and Honors*

**HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS BATTALION  
40th INFANTRY DIVISION  
(SUNSHINE DIVISION)**

Constituted 18 July 1917 in the National Guard as Headquarters, 40th Division (to be organized with troops from Arizona, California, Colorado, Nevada, New Mexico and Utah)

Organized 25 August 1917 at Camp Kearny, California

Demobilized 20 April 1919 at Camp Kearny, California

Reorganized and Federally recognized 18 June 1926 in the California National Guard at Berkeley

Location changed 1 October 1937 to Los Angeles

(Headquarters Detachment, 40th Division, organized and Federally recognized 18 October 1937 at Los Angeles)

Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 40th Division, inducted into Federal service 3 March 1941 at Los Angeles

Reorganized and redesignated 18 February 1942 as Headquarters, 40th Infantry Division

Inactivated 7 April 1946 at Camp Stoneman, California

Reorganized and Federally recognized 14 October 1946 at Los Angeles

Ordered into active Federal service 1 September 1950 at Los Angeles

# **HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS BATTALION 40th INFANTRY DIVISION (SUNSHINE DIVISION)**

(Headquarters, 40th Infantry Division [NGUS], organized and Federally recognized 2 September 1952 at Los Angeles)

Released from active Federal service 30 June 1954 and reverted to state control; concurrently, Federal recognition withdrawn from Headquarters, 40th Infantry Division (NGUS)

Converted and redesignated 1 July 1954 as Headquarters, 40th Armored Division

Reorganized and redesignated 29 January 1968 as Headquarters, 40th Armored Brigade

Converted and redesignated 13 January 1974 as Headquarters, 40th Infantry Division, and location changed to Long Beach; concurrently, Headquarters Company, 40th Infantry Division organized at Long Beach

Location changed 1 February 1981 to Los Alamitos

Ordered into active Federal service 8 December 2008 at Los Alamitos; released from active Federal service 11 January 2010 and reverted to state control

Consolidated 1 September 2007 with the Rear Operations Center, 40th Infantry Division (organized and Federally recognized 5 August 1992 at Los Alamitos), and consolidated unit designated as Headquarters, 40th Infantry Division

Consolidated 1 September 2010 with Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Special Troops Battalion, 40th Infantry Division (see ANNEX), and consolidated unit designated as Headquarters and Headquarters Battalion, 40th Infantry Division

## **ANNEX**

Organized 15 August 1940 in the California National Guard at Oxnard as Battery E, 144th Field Artillery

Inducted into Federal service 3 February 1941 at Oxnard

Reorganized and redesignated 8 February 1943 as Battery B, 981st Field Artillery Battalion

Inactivated 28 November 1945 at Camp Kilmer, New Jersey

Reorganized and Federally recognized 6 June 1947 at Oxnard as Battery A, 981st Field Artillery Battalion, an element of the 40th Infantry Division

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40th INFANTRY DIVISION  
(SUNSHINE DIVISION)**

Ordered into active Federal service 1 September 1950 at Oxnard

(Battery A, 981st Field Artillery Battalion [NGUS] organized and Federally recognized 2 September 1952 at Oxnard)

Released from active Federal service 30 June 1954 and reverted to state control; Federal recognition concurrently withdrawn from Battery A, 981st Field Artillery Battalion (NGUS)

Reorganized and redesignated 1 July 1954 as Battery A, 225th Armored Field Artillery Battalion

Converted and redesignated 1 May 1959 as the 140th Aviation Company

Reorganized and redesignated 1 March 1963 as Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 140th Aviation Battalion

Reorganized and redesignated 15 March 1964 as Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 140th Aviation Battalion

Location changed 1 March 1966 to Long Beach

Reorganized and redesignated 29 January 1968 as Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 76th Aviation Group and relieved from assignment to the 40th Armored Division

Converted and redesignated 13 January 1974 as Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 240th Signal Battalion

Location changed 24 September 1974 to Stanton

Location changed 1 January 1981 to Long Beach

Location changed 1 September 2002 to Compton

Converted and redesignated 1 September 2007 as Headquarters and Headquarters Company, Special Troops Battalion, 40th Infantry Division, and location changed to Long Beach

HOME STATION: Los Alamitos

**HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS BATTALION  
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**CAMPAIGN PARTICIPATION CREDIT**

World War I

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World War II

Bismarck Archipelago

Luzon (with arrowhead)

Southern Philippines

Normandy

Northern France

Rhineland

Ardennes-Alsace

Central Europe

Korean War

Second Korean Winter

Korea, Summer-Fall 1952

Third Korean Winter

Korea, Summer 1953

War on Terrorism

Campaigns to be determined

**DECORATIONS**

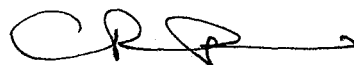
Army Superior Unit Award, Streamer embroidered 2005-2006

Philippine Presidential Unit Citation, Streamer embroidered 17 OCTOBER 1944 TO 4 JULY 1945

Republic of Korea Presidential Unit Citation, Streamer embroidered KOREA 1952-1954

Cited in the Order of the Day of the Belgian Army for action along the Meuse River

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