



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

Lineage and Honors

**HEADQUARTERS
81st INFANTRY BRIGADE COMBAT TEAM**

Constituted 18 July 1917 in the National Guard as Headquarters, 41st Division (to be organized with troops from the western United States and the District of Columbia)

Organized 18 September 1917 at Camp Greene, North Carolina

Demobilized 22 February 1919 at Camp Dix, New Jersey

Reorganized and Federally recognized 3 January 1930 at Portland, Oregon

Inducted into Federal service 16 September 1940 at Portland, Oregon

Reorganized and redesignated 17 February 1942 as Headquarters, 41st Infantry Division

Inactivated 31 December 1945 in Japan

Reorganized and Federally recognized in part 26 February 1947 at Portland, Oregon, and in part 8 March 1948 at Seattle, Washington (Oregon part hereafter separate lineage)

Headquarters, 41st Infantry Division (Washington part), reorganized and redesignated 1 January 1968 as Headquarters, 81st Infantry Brigade

Converted and redesignated 1 September 2001 as Headquarters, 81st Armored Brigade

Ordered into active Federal service 15 November 2003 at Seattle; released from active Federal service 12 May 2005 and reverted to state control

Reorganized and redesignated 1 September 2005 as Headquarters, 81st Armored Brigade Combat Team

HEADQUARTERS, 81st INFANTRY BRIGADE COMBAT TEAM

Ordered into active Federal service 16 August 2008 at Seattle; released from active Federal service 19 September 2009 and reverted to state control

Ordered into active Federal service 6 March 2021 at Seattle; released from active Federal service 5 March 2022 and reverted to state control

Reorganized and redesignated 30 September 2022 as Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 81st Infantry Brigade Combat Team

HOME STATION: Seattle

CAMPAIGN PARTICIPATION CREDIT

World War I

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World War II

New Guinea

Luzon

Southern Philippines (with arrowhead)

War on Terrorism

Iraq:

Transition of Iraq

Iraqi Governance

Iraqi Surge

Iraqi Sovereignty

Headquarters Company (Seattle) additionally entitled to:

World War I

Champagne-Marne

Aisne-Marne

Oise-Aisne

St. Mihiel

Meuse-Argonne

Lorraine 1918

Champagne 1918

World War II

Papua

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DECORATIONS

Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered IRAQ 2008-2009
(earned as Headquarters, 81st Armored Brigade Combat Team)

Philippine Presidential Unit Citation, Streamer embroidered 17 OCTOBER 1944 TO
4 JULY 1945 (earned as Headquarters, 41st Infantry Division)

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:


CHARLES R. BOWERY, JR.
Chief of Military History

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