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103d ENGINEER BATTALION
(THE DANDY FIRST)

Constituted 7 December 1747 by official recognition of the Military Association of the City of Philadelphia, founded 21 November 1747 at Philadelphia by Benjamin Franklin

Organized 29 December 1747 as the Train of Artillery from new and existing elements

Reorganized and redesignated 26 May 1748 as the Train of Artillery, to consist of the following companies:

> Associator Fort Company
> Grand Battery Company

Reorganized and redesignated 15 October 1754 in the Philadelphia Military Association as the Train of Artillery, to consist of the following companies:

> Artillery Company
> Grand Battery

Expanded, reorganized, and redesignated, May-August 1775 as the Philadelphia Artillery Battalion, to consist of the following companies:

> 1st Company, Captain Benjamin Loxley
> 2d Company, Captain Joseph Moulder
> 3d Company, Captain James Biddle
> 4th Company, Captain Thomas Procter

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While remaining in state service, the Philadelphia Artillery additionally formed the following units for Continental service:

Philadelphia Artillery Battalion mustered into Continental service 2 July 1776; mustered out of Continental service 23 January 1777 at Morristown, New Jersey

Fort Mud Garrison organized 27 October 1775 at Philadelphia
Expanded 14 August 1776 as the Pennsylvania State Artillery Battalion
Assigned 23 September 1776 to the main Continental Army
Expanded 6 February 1777 as the Pennsylvania State Artillery Regiment and relieved from the main Continental Army
Adopted 10 June 1777 into the Continental Army as Procter's Continental Artillery Regiment
Reorganized and redesignated 1 January 1783 as the 4th Continental Artillery Regiment

Reorganized and redesignated 25 July 1777 in the Pennsylvania Militia as the First Artillery Battalion, Colonel Jehu Eyre commanding, to consist of the following companies:

1st Company, Captain Samuel Massey
2d Company, Captain John McCullough
3d Company, Captain Peter Browne
4th Company, Captain William Prowell
5th Company, Captain Andrew Summers
6th Company, Captain John Ruper

Above units consolidated and reorganized 1784-1794 as the Regiment of Artillery of the City of Philadelphia

In Federal service from August 1814 to January 1815 as the Regiment of Artillery, Lieutenant Colonel Andrew M. Prevost commanding, comprising the following companies:

Junior Artillerists
Company of Independent Artillerists
Northern Liberty Artillerists
Frankford Volunteer Artillerists
Captain Landis' Company of Volunteer Artillery

Reorganized 2 April 1822 as the Artillery Battalion, 1st Brigade, 1st Division, Pennsylvania Militia

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Redesignated in 1828 as the 1st Artillery Regiment, Pennsylvania Militia, comprising the following units:

> Junior Artillerists
> Jackson Artillery
> Pennsylvania Artillery
> State Artillery
> Phalanx Artillery
> Artillery Corps, Washington Grays

Reorganized and redesignated 19 April 1861 in part as the 1st Regiment Infantry, Gray Reserves

While remaining in state service the former 1st Artillery Regiment (also known as the Gray Artillery Battalion), 1st Brigade, 1st Division, formed the following units for Federal service:

> 1st Artillery Regiment mustered into Federal service 25 April 1861 at Philadelphia to consist of the following companies:

> > Washington Grays (2 companies)
> > Cadwalader Grays
> > Philadelphia Grays
> > West Philadelphia Grays
> > Independent Grays
> > State Guards
> > National Artillery

> Redesignated 15 May 1861 as the 17th Regiment Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry
> Mustered out of Federal service 2 August 1861 at Philadelphia

> 118th Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry Regiment (Corn Exchange Regiment of Philadelphia) mustered into Federal service 15-30 August 1862 at Philadelphia
> Mustered out of Federal service 1 June 1865 at Philadelphia

> 119th Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry Regiment (Gray Reserves) mustered into Federal service 15 August-17 September 1862 at Philadelphia
> Mustered out of Federal service 19 June 1865 at Philadelphia

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32d Regiment (Gray Reserves), Pennsylvania Volunteer Militia mustered into Federal service 26 June 1863 at Harrisburg; mustered out of Federal service 1 August 1863 at Philadelphia

Reorganized 18 September 1866 as the 1st Regiment of Infantry, Gray Reserves, Reserve Brigade, Pennsylvania Militia

(Pennsylvania Militia redesignated 9 April 1870 as the Pennsylvania National Guard)

Mustered into Federal service 10-11 May 1898 at Mount Gretna as the 1st Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry; mustered out of Federal service 26 October 1898 at Philadelphia

Mustered into Federal service 30 June 1916 at Mount Gretna as the 1st Pennsylvania Volunteer Infantry; mustered out of Federal service 23 October 1916 at Mount Gretna

Mustered into Federal service 30 March 1917 at Philadelphia; drafted into Federal service 5 August 1917

Consolidated 11 October 1917 with the 13th Infantry, Pennsylvania National Guard (organized in 1877); consolidated unit concurrently designated as the 109th Infantry and assigned to the 28th Division

Demobilized 17-20 May 1919 at Camp Dix, New Jersey

Former 1st Infantry reorganized 15 October 1919 in the Pennsylvania National Guard at Philadelphia

Converted, reorganized, and redesignated 1 April 1921 as the 103d Engineer Regiment, an element of the 28th Division (later redesignated as the 28th Infantry Division)

Organized and Federally recognized 18 July 1921 at Philadelphia

Inducted into Federal service 17 February 1941 at Philadelphia

Regiment broken up 17 February 1942 and its elements reorganized and redesignated as follows:

Regiment (less 2d Battalion) as the 103d Engineer Battalion, an element of the 28th Infantry Division

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2d Battalion as the 180th Engineer Battalion and relieved from assignment to the 28th Infantry Division (hereafter separate lineage)

103d Engineer Battalion redesignated 9 March 1943 as the 103d Engineer Combat Battalion
Inactivated 27 October 1945 at Camp Shelby, Mississippi

Reorganized and Federally recognized 8 April 1947 in the Pennsylvania National Guard at Philadelphia as the 103d Engineer Combat Battalion

Ordered into active Federal service 5 September 1950 at Philadelphia

Redesignated 5 June 1953 as the 103d Engineer Battalion

(103d Engineer Battalion [NGUS] organized and Federally recognized 17 August 1953 with Headquarters at Philadelphia)

Released from active Federal service 15 June 1954 and reverted to state control; Federal recognition concurrently withdrawn from the 103d Engineer Battalion (NGUS)

(Company C allotted 21 January 1968 to the Maryland Army National Guard; Company D allotted 1 February 1968 to the Virginia Army National Guard; Companies C and D reallotted 1 April 1975 to the Pennsylvania Army National Guard)

Ordered into active Federal service 24 August 2002 at Philadelphia; released from active Federal service 20 May 2003 and reverted to state control

(Companies A, B, and C consolidated 1 September 2006 to form the Support Company, 103d Engineer Battalion)

Battalion reorganized 1 September 2007 to consist of the Headquarters Company and the Support Company

HOME STATION: Philadelphia

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CAMPAIGN PARTICIPATION CREDIT

Revolutionary War
Trenton
Princeton
Brandywine
Germantown
Monmouth
Yorktown
Pennsylvania 1776
New Jersey 1776
New York 1776
New Jersey 1777
New Jersey 1778
New York 1779

War of 1812
Streamer without inscription

Civil War
Antietam
Fredericksburg
Chancellorsville
Gettysburg
Wilderness
Spotsylvania
Cold Harbor
Petersburg
Shenandoah
Appomattox
Maryland 1862
Maryland 1864
Pennsylvania 1863
Virginia 1863

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<u>World War I</u>
Champagne-Marne
Aisne-Marne
Oisne-Aisne
Meuse-Argonne
Champagne 1918
Lorraine 1918

<u>World War II</u>
Normandy
Northern France
Rhineland
Ardennes-Alsace
Central Europe

<u>War on Terrorism</u>
Campaigns to be determined

DECORATIONS

Luxembourg Croix de Guerre, Streamer embroidered LUXEMBOURG

Support Company (Philadelphia), additionally entitled to:

Presidential Unit Citation (Army), Streamer embroidered ARDENNES

Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered IRAQ 2005

Cited in the Order of the Day of the Belgian Army for action at St. Vith

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