



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

## *Lineage and Honors*

### **326th ENGINEER BATTALION (SAPPER EAGLES)**

Constituted 23 July 1918 in the National Army as the 326th Engineers and assigned to the 101st Division

(101st Division only partially organized October-November 1918; demobilized 11 December 1918; reconstituted 24 June 1921)

Reconstituted 24 June 1921 in the Organized Reserves as the 326th Engineers and assigned to the 101st Division

Organized in November 1921 at Milwaukee, Wisconsin

Regiment broken up 31 March 1942 and its elements reorganized and redesignated as follows:

Regiment (less the 2d Battalion) as the 326th Engineer Battalion and remained assigned to the 101st Division (later redesignated as the 101st Airborne Division)

(2d Battalion as the 890th Engineer Battalion, Aviation; disbanded 11 February 1943)

326th Engineer Battalion withdrawn 15 August 1942 from the Organized Reserves and allotted to the Army of the United States; concurrently redesignated as the 326th Airborne Engineer Battalion and activated at Camp Claiborne, Louisiana

Inactivated 30 November 1945 in France

## **326th ENGINEER BATTALION (SAPPER EAGLES)**

Consolidated 18 June 1948 with the 49th Engineer Combat Battalion (see ANNEX) and consolidated unit redesignated as the 49th Airborne Engineer Battalion, an element of the 101st Airborne Division

Allotted 25 June 1948 to the Regular Army

Activated 6 July 1948 at Camp Breckinridge, Kentucky

Inactivated 29 April 1949 at Camp Breckinridge, Kentucky

Activated 25 August 1950 at Camp Breckinridge, Kentucky

Inactivated 1 December 1953 at Camp Breckinridge, Kentucky

Activated 15 May 1954 at Fort Jackson, South Carolina

Redesignated 1 July 1956 as the 326th Airborne Engineer Battalion

Redesignated 25 April 1957 as the 326th Engineer Battalion

Inactivated 15 September 2004 at Fort Campbell, Kentucky, and relieved from assignment to the 101st Airborne Division

Headquarters and Headquarters Company activated 19 October 2006 at Fort Campbell, Kentucky (Support Company concurrently constituted and activated)

Assigned 17 April 2014 to the 1st Brigade Combat Team, 101st Airborne Division (Support Company concurrently inactivated and lettered companies activated)

### **ANNEX**

Constituted 5 May 1942 in the Army of the United States as the 49th Engineers

Activated 25 August 1942 at Camp Carson, Colorado

## **326th ENGINEER BATTALION (SAPPER EAGLES)**

Regiment broken up 1 April 1943 and its elements reorganized and redesignated as follows:

1st Battalion as the 49th Engineer Combat Battalion

(Headquarters and Headquarters and Service Company as Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 1110th Engineer Combat Group; 2d Battalion as the 37th Engineer Combat Battalion; Band as the 4th Army Ground Forces Band -- hereafter separate lineages)

49th Engineer Combat Battalion inactivated 27 November 1945 at Camp Kilmer, New Jersey

### **CAMPAIGN PARTICIPATION CREDIT**

#### World War II

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

#### Southwest Asia

Defense of Saudi Arabia  
Liberation and Defense of Kuwait

#### War on Terrorism

Campaigns to be determined

#### Vietnam

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  
Consolidation I  
Consolidation II

## **326th ENGINEER BATTALION (SAPPER EAGLES)**

### **DECORATIONS**

Presidential Unit Citation (Army), Streamer embroidered NORMANDY

Presidential Unit Citation (Army), Streamer embroidered BASTOGNE

Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered SOUTHWEST ASIA  
1990-1991

Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered IRAQ 2003-2004

Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered IRAQ 2007-2008

Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered SOUTHWEST ASIA  
2011

Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered SOUTHWEST ASIA  
2018-2019

Army Superior Unit Award, Streamer embroidered 2001

French Croix de Guerre with Palm, World War II, Streamer embroidered NORMANDY

Netherlands Orange Lanyard

Belgian Croix de Guerre 1940 with Palm, Streamer embroidered BASTOGNE; Cited in  
the Order of the Day of the Belgian Army for action at Bastogne

Belgian Fourragere 1940

Cited in the Order of the Day of the Belgian Army for action in France and Belgium

Republic of Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Palm, Streamer embroidered VIETNAM  
1968-1969

Republic of Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Palm, Streamer embroidered VIETNAM  
1971

Republic of Vietnam Civil Action Honor Medal, First Class, Streamer embroidered  
VIETNAM 1968-1970

## **326th ENGINEER BATTALION (SAPPER EAGLES)**

Company A additionally entitled to:

Presidential Unit Citation (Army), Streamer embroidered DAK TO

Valorous Unit Award, Streamer embroidered TUY HOA

Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered VIETNAM  
1966

Republic of Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Palm, Streamer embroidered  
VIETNAM 1966-1967

Company B additionally entitled to:

Valorous Unit Award, Streamer embroidered THUA THIEN PROVINCE

Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered VIETNAM  
1968


Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered AFGHANISTAN  
OCT 2014-APR 2015

Company C additionally entitled to:

Valorous Unit Award, Streamer embroidered KHOWST PROVINCE,  
AFGHANISTAN 2002

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

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

  
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Chief of Military History

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