



DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

*Lineage and Honors*

**153d INFANTRY REGIMENT  
(FIRST ARKANSAS)**

Parent unit organized 1890-1894 in the Arkansas State Guard as the 1st Regiment of Infantry with Headquarters at Little Rock

Consolidated In part with the 2d, 3d and 4th Regiments of Infantry, Arkansas State Guard, reorganized, redesignated, and mustered into Federal service 14-25 May 1898 at Little Rock as the 1st and 2d Regiments, Arkansas Volunteer Infantry; mustered out of Federal service 25 October 1898 and 25 February 1899 at Little Rock and Anniston, Alabama, respectively

Reorganized in 1899 in the Arkansas State Guard as the 1st Regiment of Infantry with Headquarters at Helena

(Arkansas State Guard redesignated 31 March 1907 as the Arkansas National Guard)

Mustered into Federal service 3-9 July 1916 at Fort Logan H. Roots, Arkansas; mustered out of Federal service 19-24 February 1917 at Fort Logan H. Roots, Arkansas

Mustered into Federal service 1 April 1917 at Camp Pike, Arkansas

Assigned 18 July 1917 to the 39th Division

Drafted into Federal service 5 August 1917

Reorganized and redesignated 27 September 1917 as the 153d Infantry

## **153d INFANTRY REGIMENT (FIRST ARKANSAS)**

Demobilized 23 January 1919 at Camp Beauregard, Louisiana and relieved from assignment to the 39th Division

Reorganized 1920-1921 in the Arkansas National Guard as the 5th Regiment of Infantry; Headquarters Federally recognized 25 June 1921 at Beebe

Redesignated 25 October 1921 as the 153d Infantry

(Location of Headquarters changed 16 June 1924 to Russellville and on 28 April 1928 to Conway)

Inducted into Federal service 23 December 1940 at home stations

Inactivated 30 June 1944 at Camp Shelby, Mississippi

Assigned 27 May 1946 to the 39th Infantry Division

Reorganized and Federally recognized 20 November 1946 with Headquarters at Little Rock

Ordered Into active Federal service 24 September 1957 at home stations; released from active Federal service by elements 17 October 1957 to 23 May 1958 and reverted to state control

Reorganized 1 June 1959 as a parent regiment under the Combat Arms Regimental System, to consist of the 1st and 2d Battle Groups, elements of the 39th Infantry Division

Reorganized 1 May 1963 to consist of the 1st and 2d Battalions, elements of the 39th Infantry Division

Reorganized 1 December 1967 to consist of the 1st, 2d, and 3d Battalions, elements of the 39th Infantry Brigade

Withdrawn 1 May 1989 from the Combat Arms Regimental System and reorganized under the United States Army Regimental System

(2d Battalion ordered into active Federal service 8 October 2001 at home stations; released from active Federal service 26 October 2002 and reverted to state control)

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(1st and 3d Battalions ordered into active Federal service 12 October 2003 at home stations; concurrently, 1st, 2d, and 3d Battalions provisionally reorganized and redesignated as the 1st and 3d Battalions; 1st and 3d Battalions released 8 April 2005 and reverted to state control; concurrently, reorganized and redesignated as the 1st, 2d, and 3d Battalions)

Reorganized 1 September 2005 as the 153d Infantry, to consist of the 1st and 2d Battalions, elements of the 39th Infantry Brigade Combat Team (3d Battalion reorganized as 1st Squadron, 151st Cavalry, hereafter separate lineage)

Redesignated 1 October 2005 as the 153d Infantry Regiment

Ordered into active Federal service 4-5 January 2008 at home stations; released from active Federal service 6-7 February 2009 and reverted to state control

### **ANNEX**

Constituted 27 May 1946 in the Arkansas National Guard as the 206th Tank Battalion

Organized and Federally recognized 6 February 1947 from new and existing units with Headquarters at El Dorado

Reorganized and redesignated 1 March 1949 as the 206th Heavy Tank Battalion and assigned to the 39th Infantry Division

Reorganized and redesignated 1 September 1950 as the 206th Tank Battalion

Ordered into active Federal service 24 September 1957 at home stations; released 23 October 1957 from active Federal service and reverted to state control

Reorganized and redesignated 1 June 1959 as the 206th Armor, a parent regiment under the Combat Arms Regimental System, to consist of the 1st Medium Tank Battalion, an element of the 39th Infantry Division

Reorganized 1 May 1963 to consist of the 1st and 2d Battalions, elements of the 39th Infantry Division

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**CAMPAIGN PARTICIPATION CREDIT**

World War I

Streamer without inscription

World War II

Aleutian Islands

War on Terrorism

*Iraq:*

Transition of Iraq

Iraqi Governance

Iraqi Surge

(additional campaigns to be determined)

Company B (Texarkana), 1st Battalion, additionally entitled to:

World War II

Normandy

Northern France

Rhineland

Ardennes-Alsace

Central Europe

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Company C (Mena), 1st Battalion, additionally entitled to:

World War II

Naples-Foggia

Rome-Arno

Southern France (with arrowhead)

Rhineland

Central Europe

Korean War

First UN Counteroffensive

CCF Spring Offensive

UN Summer-Fall Offensive

Second Korean Winter

Korea, Summer-Fall 1952

Third Korean Winter

Korea, Summer 1953

### **DECORATIONS**

Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered IRAQ 2004-2005

Company C (Mena), 1st Battalion, additionally entitled to:

Republic of Korea Presidential Unit Citation, Streamer embroidered KOREA 1950-1952

Company A (Walnut Ridge), 2d Battalion, additionally entitled to:

Valorous Unit Award, Streamer embroidered BAGHDAD AND AN NAJAF

**BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY**

  
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