

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY

Lineage and Honors

**497th TRANSPORTATION COMPANY
(BACKBREAKERS)**

Constituted 1 July 1936 in the Organized Reserves as Company B, 1st Battalion, 478th Quartermaster Truck Regiment

Ordered into active military service 25 October 1942 and organized at Camp Claiborne, Louisiana

Reorganized and redesignated 1 December 1943 as the 3842d Quartermaster Truck Company

Inactivated 3 February 1946 in India

Converted and redesignated 1 August 1946 as the 3842d Transportation Corps Truck Company

Redesignated 18 March 1947 as the 497th Transportation Corps Truck Company

Activated 3 April 1947 at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Redesignated 14 October 1947 as the 497th Transportation Truck Company

(Organized Reserves redesignated 25 March 1948 as the Organized Reserve Corps; redesignated 9 July 1952 as the Army Reserve)

Inactivated 15 March 1952 at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

Redesignated 1 December 1958 as the 497th Transportation Company

Activated 29 January 1959 at Oklahoma City, Oklahoma

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Location changed 1 April 1959 to Tulsa, Oklahoma

Inactivated 25 February 1963 at Tulsa, Oklahoma

Withdrawn 7 February 1967 from the Army Reserve and allotted to the Regular Army

Activated 25 March 1967 at Fort Lewis, Washington

CAMPAIGN PARTICIPATION CREDIT

World War II
India-Burma
Central Burma

Southwest Asia
Defense of Saudi Arabia
Liberation and Defense of Kuwait
Cease-Fire

War on Terrorism
Campaigns to be determined


DECORATIONS

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

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

Army Superior Unit Award, Streamer embroidered 1996-1997

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:


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