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1917 – 1921: Organization and World War I

The 52nd Infantry Regiment was constituted in the regular Army in May 1917 and activated with personnel from the 11th Infantry Regiment on June 16, 1917, at Chickamauga, Georgia. Following activation, the regiment was assigned to the 11th Infantry Brigade, 6th Infantry Division. The 6th Infantry Division was a square division consisting of the 51st, 52nd, 53rd, and the 54th Infantry Regiments.

The 6th Infantry Division departed for France in July 1918. First assigned to the Vosges Sector, the division saw combat in Meuse-Argonne and in Alsace, France. Following the war, the division had occupation duty near and in Bad Bertrich, Germany.   The 6th Division returned to the United States on June 12, 1919, and was transferred to Camp Grant, IL. The 6th Infantry Division was inactivated on September 30, 1921 at Camp Grant and allotted to the Sixth Corps Area in an inactive status.
Campaign credits and decorations include:
> Meuse-Argonne
> Alsace 1918

1921 – 1941: Interwar Years

The 52nd Infantry Regiment was carried on the 6th Division's rolls in inactive status from 1921-1927. It was relieved from the 6th Division on August 15, 1927 and assigned to the 9th Division. The 9th Division, Regular Army Inactive Unit, located at the Boston Army Base. The 52nd Infantry Regiment supported reserve units in the First Corps (New York and New Jersey) and Second Corps (New England) areas.

On April 15, 1929, still assigned to the 9th Division, the 52nd Infantry Regiment was reorganized in Illinois as a Regular Army Inactive unit with Regular Army personnel assigned to ROTC Detachments. The 52nd Infantry Regiment, less the 3rd Battalion, was affiliated with the University of Illinois ROTC, the 3rd Battalion, 52nd Infantry Regiment was affiliated with the Northwestern University ROTC at Evanston, IL.

On November 3, 1930, the regiment was administratively attached to the 86th Division (Organized Reserves, in Chicago, Illinois). It was relieved from the 9th Division on October 1, 1933 and reassigned to the 6th Division until October 12, 1939.

From 1939 to 1942 the regiment conducted training at the 202nd Coastal Artillery Armory and the Army and Navy Club in Chicago: as well as semiannual training camps with the 12th Infantry at Fort Sheridan, Il.; summer reserve training at Jefferson Barracks, MO.; and Citizens' Military Training Camp (CMTC) training at Jefferson Barracks, Fort Sheridan, and Camp Custer, MI.

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1942 – 1945: World War II

In July 1942, the 52nd Infantry Regiment was assigned to the newly formed 9th Armored Division at Camp Funston/Fort Riley. The 9th Armored Division transitioned to the "light" Armored Division Table of Organization in September 1943 consisting of three Combat Commands. The 52nd Infantry Regiment was redesignated (less the 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Battalions) in October 1943 as the 52nd Armored Infantry Battalion.   The 1st Battalion was redesignated as the 60th Armored Infantry Battalion, the 2nd Battalion was redesignated as the 27th Armored Infantry Battalion, and the 3rd Battalion was disbanded. Subsequently, the 27th Armored Infantry Battalion assigned to the 9th Armored Division's Combat Command A, the 60th Armored Infantry Battalion assigned to Combat Command B, and the 52nd Armored Infantry Battalion, assigned to Combat Command Reserve.

The 9th Armored Division trained at Fort Riley, Camp Ibis, California - The Desert Training Center, and Fort Polk, LA., before leaving for the European Theater. The 9th Armored Division arrived in France, September 29, 1944, and was assigned to the VIII Corps in the Ardennes Region. The 9th Armored Division's three Combat Commands were split up and detached to augment other divisions in the theater. Detachments to other divisions included:

52d AIB	8th ID/23 Oct 44-30 Oct 44
27th AIB	2d DID27/Oct 44-8 Nov 44
60th AIB	8th ID/2 Nov 44-9 Nov 44
Co B, 52d AIB	83rd ID/22 Nov 44-29 Nov 44
Co C, 52d AIB	83rd ID/28 Nov 44-6 Dec 44
Co C, 52d AIB	4th ID/7 Dec 44-13 Dec 44
60th AIB	78th ID/12 Mar 45-16 Mar 45
52d AIB	9th ID/16 Mar 45-18 Mar 45

As part of the 9th Armored Division's Combat Commands, the 27th, 52nd and 60th Armored Infantry Battalions saw heavy combat in the Ardennes, leading up to the Battle of the Bulge, in which the 52nd won a Presidential Unit Citation for the defense of Bastogne.   The 52nd and the 27th won another Presidential Unit Citation for the seizure of the Ludendorff Bridge across the Rhine at Remagen
in March 1945. The Belgian Army also cited both battalions for the Ardennes and the 52nd was awarded the Belgian Croix de Guerre. Altogether, three World War II campaign credits accrue to the 52nd Armored Infantry Battalion.
Campaign credits and decorations include:

       Rhineland
       Ardennes-Alsace
       Central Europe
       Presidential Unit Citation: Luxembourg, St. Vith, Bastogne, and Remagen Bridgehead
       Belgian Croix de Guerre 1940 with Palm for Bastogne; cited in the Order of the Day of the Belgian Army for action at Bastogne.

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All three battalions returned to the United States on 13 October 1945, at which time they were inactivated but remained assigned to the 9th Armored Division.

1950s -1960s

On September 14, 1950, the three inactive battalions of the 52nd Infantry were reconsolidated to form the 52nd Infantry Regiment. The inactive regiment was relieved from the "paper assignment" to the 9th Armored Division and reassigned to the 71st Infantry Division (a static division, non-deployable) at Fort Lewis, Washington.

The 52nd Infantry Regiment was relived from assignment to the 71st Infantry Division on February 25, 1953 and reassigned to the inactive 9th Armored Division, and then broken up into four inactive Armored Infantry Battalions:
   - Headquarters 52nd Infantry (less 1st, 2nd, 3rd Battalions) as the 52nd Armored Infantry Battalion
   - 1st Battalion as the 560th Armored Infantry Battalion
   - 2nd Battalion as the 527th Armored Infantry Battalion
   - 3rd Battalion reconstituted as the 528th Armored Infantry Battalion

On March 1, 1957, the 560th, 527th, and 528th Armored Infantry Battalions were relieved from assignment to the 9th Armored Division.

1956-1958 Italy

The signing of the Austrian State Treaty by the Allied powers in 1955 ended 17 years of occupation of Austria. U.S. forces were relocated to Germany or Italy. The 1st Battalion, 350th Infantry Regiment, US Forces Austria, relocated from Camp Roeder, Salzburg, Austria to Vicenza, Italy where it was inactivated and redesignated as the 52nd Armored Infantry Battalion on August 15, 1956.

The 52nd Armored Infantry Battalion provided defense and security for the Honest John rockets and Corporal missiles assigned to the 1st US Missile Command's Task Force Alpha, Bravo, and Sierra. The 52nd Armored Infantry Battalion was inactivated in Vicenza in June 1958.

1958 – 1959 Fort Hood

The 52nd Armored Infantry Battalion was activated at Fort Hood and assigned to the 2nd US Army Missile Command (Medium) (Atomic Artillery) and redesignated as the 52nd Armored Rifle Battalion. The Battalion provided local defense and physical security to the Honest John and Corporal Rocket Battalions.

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1959 Combat Arms Regimental System (CARS)

Designed to perpetuate the lineages of the historic regiments that were broken up during or after WW II. On July 1, 1959, the 52d, 560th, 527th, and 528th Armored Infantry Battalions were consolidated into the 52d Armored Infantry Regiment.,

1959 -1962 Fort Carson

On May 8, 1959, the 52nd Armored Infantry Battalion moved with the 2nd US Army Missile Command from Fort Hood to Fort Carson. In August 1961 the missile command was inactivated, elements were formed into the Fort Carson Army Training Center, subordinate to the Fifth Army Headquarters. The 52nd Armored Infantry Battalion was subordinate to the Fort Carson Training Center until February 3, 1962.

1961 Reorganization Objectives, Army Division

The 1st Battalion 52nd Infantry, was assigned to the 1st Brigade, 1st Armored Division, Fort Hood. The 2nd Battalion, 52nd Infantry was assigned to the 3rd Armored Division, Friedberg, Germany.

1962 -1967 Fort Hood

In February 1962, the 3rd Brigade, 1st Armored Division was reactivated with the 1st Battalion, 52nd Infantry attached. Brought back to full strength, the 1st Armored Division was declared combat-ready and moved to Fort Stewart, Georgia, in response to the Cuban Missile Crisis. The 1st Battalion, 52nd Infantry remained assigned to the 1st Armored Division at Fort Hood until 1967.

In May 1967 the 1st Battalion, 52nd Infantry was relieved from the 1st Armored Division and assigned to the newly organized 198th Light Infantry Brigade.

1966-1972 Vietnam

Separate infantry companies of the 52nd Infantry Regiment in Vietnam

On March 23, 1966, Headquarters and Headquarters Company, the 3rd Battle Group, 52nd Infantry Regiment was redesignated as Company C, 52nd Infantry Regiment. Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 4th Battle Group, 52nd Infantry Regiment was redesignated as Company D, 52nd Infantry Regiment. Both were activated as separate infantry rifle companies at Fort Lewis, Washington on June 1, 1966.

Company C, 52nd Infantry Regiment was attached to the 716th Military Police Battalion in Saigon/Cholon from December 1, 1966, to August 15, 1972 when it was reflagged as an MP Company. Company C (Security Guard) was a rifle security company and manned static posts, as well as providing gunners for the 716th MP

Battalion's machinegun jeeps. Company C won a Presidential Unit Citation during the Tet Offensive, Saigon, February 1968.

Company D, 52nd Infantry Regiment was assigned to the 97th MP Battalion from November 26, 1966, to February 9, 1967, at Cam Ranh Bay, then reassigned to the 95th MP Battalion at Long Binh logistics center and headquarters for United States Army Vietnam. Company D (Security Guard) was a rifle security company and manned static posts, as well as performing physical security duties until November 22, 1969, when it was deactivated.

Company D, 52nd Infantry Regiment was reactivated as a separate rifle security company on June 30, 1971, and was attached to the U.S. Army Support Command, Qui Nhon until November 26, 1972. The company provided security for the facilities of the Qui Nhon Depot, the port of Qui Nhon, and the Qui Nhon Army Airfield. In all, Company D participated in thirteen Vietnam campaigns and was awarded two Meritorious Unit Commendations.

Long Range Reconnaissance Patrols of the 52nd Infantry in Vietnam

Company E, 52nd Infantry Regiment (Long Range Reconnaissance Patrol)

In July 1966, General Westmoreland sent a message to all "Infantry" Divisions that they would form a Long Range Reconnaissance Patrol Company. However, it did not apply to the 1st "Cavalry "Division. The 1st Cavalry Division already had a Cavalry Squadron, and each subordinate brigade had a LRRP capability, one that was not being properly used for long range reconnaissance and patrolling. The 1st Cavalry Division G3 LTC Stotser and the G2 LTC Ray believed that a Division LRRP capability would be beneficial to the 1at Cavalry Division, and the Army approved one experimental LRRP team for the 1st Cavalry Division. For logistical purposes the Provisional LRRP unit was attached to the 191st Military Intelligence Battalion, but the G2 maintained operational control. In January 1967 the term "Provisional" was dropped and the LRRPs became a Detachment. On Feb 2, 1967, the 1st Cavalry Division's first "official" Long Range Reconnaissance Patrol was conducted in the An Lao Valley. In March 1967, the Cavalry Division's LRRP was redesignated 1st Cavalry Division Headquarters and Headquarters LRRP Detachment. On December 20, 1967, the Cavalry Division's LRRP unit was redesignated, Co E, 52nd Infantry (LRP). On 1 Feb 1969, Co E was redesignated Co H, 75th Infantry (Ranger).

Company F, 52nd Infantry Regiment (Long Range Reconnaissance Patrol)

Beginning in October 1965 the 1st Infantry Division reconnaissance efforts relied on the 1st Squadron, 4th Cavalry. The squadron's aerial unit, "Darkhorse" Troop D, contained an aero rifle platoon that could rapidly responded to scout helicopter sightings and downed aircraft but was precluded from longer ground patrols. In April 1966, the 1st Infantry Division Commander, Maj. Gen. William E. DePuy, formed

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a Provisional Division Long Range Reconnaissance Patrol (LRRP) Contingent that was attached to D Troop (Air), 1-4 Cavalry. In August 1967, the unit became the LRP Detachment, HHC, 1st Infantry Division. On 20 December 1967 the LRP Detachment became F Company, 52nd Infantry (LRRP). On February 1, 1969, Company F was redesignated, I Company, 75th Infantry (Ranger).

1st Battalion 52nd Infantry, 198th Light Infantry Brigade

The 198th Infantry Brigade departed Fort Hood and arrived in Vietnam on October 26, 1967. Subordinate to the 198th LIB, the 1st Battalion, 52nd Infantry consisted of Headquarters Company, Alpha, Bravo, Charlie, and Delta rifle companies; Echo Company, a combat support company that included a 40-man reconnaissance element, a 4.2" Mortar Platoon, and two Sniper Teams. On February 15, 1969, the Battalion became an organic element 23rd Infantry Division. On July 1, 1971, the Battalion was attached to the 11th Infantry Brigade. On October 2, 1971 the battalion returned to Fort Lewis, Washington where it remained (at zero strength) until it was deactivated on August 11, 1972. Campaign credits and decoration included:

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Counteroffensive, Phase III	06/01/67 – 01/29/68
Tet Counteroffensive, Phase IV	01/30/68 – 04/01/68
Counteroffensive, Phase I	04/02/68 – 06/30/68
Counteroffensive, Phase V	07/01/68 – 11/01/68
Counteroffensive, Phase VI	11/02/68 – 02/22/69
Tet 69/Counteroffensive	02/23/69 – 06/08/69
Summer-Fall 1969	06/09/69 – 10/31/69
Winter-Spring 1970	11/01/69 – 04/30/70
Sanctuary Counteroffensive	07/01/70 – 06/30/71
Consolidation I	07/01/71 – 11/30/71

Meritorious Unit Commendation for: VIETNAM 1967, VIETNAM 1968, VIETNAM 1968-1969

By the November 1972 all elements of the 52nd Infantry Regiment had returned from Vietnam.

1972 – 1987 Germany

On May 5, 1971, the 1st Armored Division was deactivated at Fort Hood, Texas and reflagged as the 1st Cavalry Division.

On May 10, 1971, the 4th Armored Division was deactivated and reflagged as the 1st Armored Division. At the time the 4th Armored Division's 3rd Brigade, located in Bamberg, consisted of the 3rd Bn, 35th Armor, 1st Bn, 54th Infantry, and the 2nd Battalion, 54th Infantry.

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To reconstitute the 1st Armored Division, as it was when originally formed, several redesignations of battalions took place across the Division. The 2nd Battalion, 54th Infantry was deactivated and in its place the 2nd Battalion, 52nd Infantry was activated. On September 15, 1972, the 2nd Battalion, 52nd Infantry was inactivated and the 1st Battalion, 52nd Infantry, transferred from Fort Lewis, Washington to Bamberg, Germany, was assigned to the 3rd Brigade.

1972-1987 1st Battalion, 52nd Infantry, Bamberg, Germany

The purpose of US forces stationed in West Germany as part of the NATO alliance was for the forward defense of Western Europe against the threat of the Soviet Union and the Warsaw Pact. In the VII US Corps and 1st Armored Division sector, the 1st Battalion, 52nd Infantry served as a Cold War deterrent along the West Germany's common border with East Germany, and Czechoslovakia. The 1st Battalion, 52nd Infantry trained for and maintained a General Defense Plan which focused on disrupting, delaying, and destroying the Warsaw Pact forces that might attack from East Germany through the Hof Gap, or from Czechoslovakia using the Cheb and Pilsen approaches.

To prepare for and maintain combat readiness for their portion of the NATO war plan, the 1st Battalion, 52nd Infantry conducted small- and large-scale maneuver training locally and at Hohenfels Training Area; and, weapons qualification and gunnery, at Grafenwoehr and Wildflecken Training Areas, and force-on-force exercised in maneuver rights areas.

In April 1974 the 1st Battalion, 52nd Infantry participated in the 3rd Brigade's 150 Kilometer foot march in northeastern Bavaria. In October 1974, the Battalion participated in REFORGER VI

In May 1976 the Battalion participated in the 1st Armored Division's BRIDGEX I. Later in the year the Battalion was designated as the USAREUR Model NBC Program Battalion, focused on developing, implementing, and finalizing the advanced NBC training program for the individual combat solider. The Battalion and conducted six weeks of focused training in MOPP protective gear culminating in live fire exercises at Wildflecken Training Area.

The Battalion routinely participated in brigade and division gunnery and maneuver exercises at Grafenwoehr and Hohenfels, and Wildflecken major training areas. The Battalion also participated in numerous NATO exercises and REFORGER (Return of Forces to Germany) exercises. Highlights of these activities included September 1974, German II Korps exercise Grosse Rechade (1975); REFORGER September 1976 and September 1977 (as a Support Battalion); Belgium 1st Corps exercise Red Tornado 1978; BRIDEX 1978; and REFORGER January 1979, September 1980, September 1982, and January 1986.

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The Battalion had close partnership relations with the 101st Panzergrenadier Battalion, later redesignated as the 103rd Panzegrenadier Battalion (located in Ebern) and the VBK-67's (District Defense Command – Bayreuth) local VBK Company in nearby Rattelsdorf. In addition, the battalion hosted equipment displays during German community festivals, took part in Volksmarches, and participated in sporting events. These military and community partnerships served to strengthen the ties with NATO allies and the Germany communities throughout Upper Franconia.

The implementation of the US Army Regimental System in 1987 changed regimental affiliations within the 1st Armored Division. On 16 November 1987 the 1st Battalion, 52nd Infantry was inactivated and reflagged as the 7th Battalion, 6th Infantry, 1st Armored Division.

1988 – 1994 National Training Center, Fort Irwin, CA

On 16 January 1988 the former 6th Battalion, 31st Infantry was inactivated and reflagged as the 1st Battalion, 52nd Infantry, assigned to the 177th Armored Brigade, Opposing Force (OPFOR). The mission of the 1-52 Infantry (32nd GMMR) was to provide a highly trained, doctrinally accurate, and opposing force organized as a BMP-equipped motorized regiment to plan and execute tactical operations at the National Training Center in support of rotational unit training.

Priority of the battalion was to maintain OPFOR proficiency while attaining Army proficiency by incorporating mission essential tasks into the rotational training. The battalion had to train and perform as the aggressor while simultaneously meeting all the training, maintenance, logistical, and administrative requirements of every infantry battalion in the US Army.

The OPFOR regimental mission command rotated between the 1-52 Infantry and 1-63 Armor Battalion headquarters. Each battalion lead 6 rotations a year. The companies of each battalion and their soldiers would support the rotations missions as required.

The success of the battalion was demonstrated during the preparedness of the Army during Desert Shield and Desert Storm. In preparation the battalion prepared miles of trench lines to replicate the anticipated battlefield in Iraq. The battalion also conducted the first Light Heavy Rotation at the NTC where we were employed and fought as a dismounted infantry battalion.

While conducting its OPFOR mission, the battalion transitioned to the Bradley Fighting Vehicle, along with the associated training and evaluation that went along with new equipment fielding. Periodically the battalion incorporated National Guard infantry into OPFOR rotations.
The OPFOR mission stretched young leaders and troops well beyond the bounds of their contemporaries. They operated in a harsh environment and spent on average

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200+ days a year in the field working a cycle 24 days on and 4 off six months at a time. While not time spent in combat it was a mission the 1-52 IN can be proud of having included in its history.

The 1st Battalion, 52nd Infantry performed the OPFOR role of the 32nd Guards Motorized Rifle Regiment until 15 October 1994 when the 177th Armored Brigade was reflagged as the 11th Armored Cavalry Regiment, and 1st Battalion, 52nd Infantry was inactivated.

1995 – 2017   52nd Infantry Regiment - Long Range Surveillance Companies

I Corps Long Range Surveillance

In 1996 Company D (Airborne) (Long Range Surveillance), 14th Military Intelligence Battalion was redesignated as Company F, 52nd Infantry (Airborne) (Long Range Surveillance, and remained assigned to the 14th Military Intelligence Battalion (Tactical Exploitation), it was deactivated in 1997.

From May 29, 2015 until December 16, 2016, Company C, 52nd Infantry (Airborne) (Long Range Surveillance), was assigned to the 201st Expeditionary Military Intelligence Brigade, Joint Base Lewis-McCord and further attached to the 109th Military Intelligence Battalion. The Company deactivated on 15 January 2017

III Corps Long Range Surveillance

In 1995 Company D (Airborne) (Long Range Surveillance), 163rd MI Battalion Company was redesignated as Company E, 52nd Infantry (Airborne) (Long Range Surveillance) and remained assigned the 163rd MI Battalion at Fort Hood, it was deactivated in 1997. From September 16, 2015 until January 10, 2017 Company D, 52nd Infantry (Airborne) (Long Range Surveillance), was assigned to the 504th Military Intelligence Brigade, Fort Hood, Texas.

2001 – 2015   52nd Infantry Regiment, Anti-Tank Companies, Stryker Brigades

2nd Infantry Division

In 2001 HHC 1st Battalion 52nd Infantry was redesignated as Company A, 52nd Infantry Regiment, 2d Brigade Combat Team, 2d Infantry Division, Fort Lewis, Washington. From June 16, 2004 to December 16, 2006 the company was assigned to the 172nd Infantry Brigade at Fort Wainwright Alaska. On October 1, 2005 it was redesignated as Company A, 52nd Infantry Regiment. On April 17, 2007 Company A, 52nd Infantry returned to Fort Lewis and was assigned to the 5th BCT, 2nd ID. The company participated in Afghanistan 2009/2010. It was later redesignated as the 2nd BCT, 2nd ID at Fort Lewis.

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Company C, 52nd Infantry Regiment (Anti-Tank) was activated and assigned to the 2nd Infantry Division at Fort Lewis, Washington from September 16, 2001 until July 27, 2005 when it was assigned to the 3rd Brigade Combat Team, 2nd ID at Fort Lewis. On October 1, 2005 it was redesignated Company C, 52nd Infantry Regiment, 2nd ID at Fort Lewis. Company C participated in Operation Iraqi Freedom 01-02 and OIF 06-07. It participated in Afghanistan 2009/2010. In May 2015 the company was deactivated as an anti-tank infantry company

On June 1, 2006, Company F, 52nd Infantry Regiment was activated and assigned to the 4th Brigade Combat Team, 2nd ID at Fort Lewis, Washington. It participated in Afghanistan 2012/2013.   It was inactivated on 1 March 2016 at Fort Lewis.

25th Infantry Division

Company B, 52nd Infantry was activated on December 2, 2003, and redesignated as Company B, 52nd Infantry Regiment on October 1, 2005, and assigned to the 2nd BCT, 25th Infantry Division, Schofield Barracks on October 16, 2005.

Company D, 52nd Infantry was activated and assigned to the 1st Brigade Combat Team, 25th Infantry Division, Fort Lewis from July 16, 2002, until June 1, 2006. On December 16, 2006, it was reactivated and assigned to the 1st BCT, 25th Infantry Division, Fort Wainwright, Alaska. It participated in Afghanistan 2011/2012. On October 2014 it was relieved from assignment to Fort Wainwright and the 1st BCT, 25th ID.

2014 - Present   52nd Infantry Regiment: Inactive

Commanders of the 52nd Infantry Regiment; the 1st Battalion, 52nd Infantry; and the various Separate Companies

Chickamauga, Georgia, WWI France, Camp Grant, Illinois
Col. Erneste V. Smith   22 June 1917–10 August 1919

Camp Grant, Illinois
Unknown   11 August 1919–22 September 1919
Col. Harold L. Jackson   23 September 1919–8 February 1920
Lt. Col. Henry W. Gregg   8 February 1920–5 July 1920
Col. Herschel Tupes   6 July 1920–11 May 1921
Lt. Col. Reulen Smith   11 May 1921–11 June 1921
Col. Frank B. Watson   11 June 1921–1 September 1921

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Inactive   1 September 1921–8 May 1926

University of Illinois ROTC; Northwestern University ROTC; and Illinois Reserves
Capt. Paige H. Crain**   9 April 1926–8 May 1926
Maj. Edwin B. Callahan**   8 May 1926–18 March 1927
Col. William T. Merry*   18 March 1927–17 August 1928
Col. Charles W. Weeks*   17 August 1928–26 July 1932
Col. David L. Stone*   26 July 1932–24 June 1933
Col. William K. Naylor*   24 June 1933 –1 October 1933
Col. Warren E. Pugh**   1 October 1933 –January 1941
*Regular Army Inactive Commanders: Regular Army Officers who were concurrently PMS&T at the University of Illinois.
**Regular Army Inactive Commanders: Organized Reserve Officers.

Fort Riley, KS
Camp Ibis, CA - The Desert Training Center
Fort Polk, LA   February
52nd Infantry Regiment
        Unknown   15 July 1942 – June 1943
27th Armored Infantry Battalion
        Unknown   June 1943- August 1944
52nd Armored Infantry Battalion
        Unknown   June 1943- August 1944
60th Armored Infantry Battalion
        Unknown   June 1943- August 1944

European Theater of Operations September 1944 – 1945
27th Armored Infantry Battalion, Combat Command B
        Unknown   October 1944 – March 1945
        MAJ Murray Deevers   March 1945

52nd Armored Infantry Battalion, Combat Command Reserve
        Unknown   Oct 1943 - 20 Oct 1944
        LTC Robert M. Booth   20 Oct 1944 – 19 Dec 1944(WIA/POW)
        MAJ Eugene A Watts   19 Dec 1944 – 10 Jan 1945
        LTC William R. Prince 10 Jan 1945 – 1 May 1945

60th Armored Infantry Battalion, Combat Command A
        Unknown   Oct 1943 – 20 Oct 1944
        LTC Kenneth Wm. Collins   20 Oct 1944 – 30 March 1945

Inactive 1945 – 1956

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Vincenza, Italy
1st US Missile Command, 52nd Armored Infantry Battalion
    LTC James B. Lyle   1957-1958

Fort Hood
2nd US Army Missile Command, 52nd Armored Infantry Battalion
    LTC H. E. Hamilton   1958- 1959

Fort Carson
2nd US Army Missile Command, 52nd Armored Infantry Battalion
    LTC T.N. Stewart   1959-1960
    LTC Thomas E. Chegin   1960-1962

Fort Hood
1st Armored Division, 52nd Armored Infantry Battalion
    LTC Richard Wise   1962- 1964
    LTC Walter F. Meyer   1964 – 1965
    Unknown   1965 - 1967

Vietnam: 1st Battalion, 52nd Infantry,

LTC Paul A Roach, Jr.	25 February 1967 – 10 April 1968
LTC Elbert E. Fuller, Jr.	10 April 1968 – 7 September 1968
LTC William C. Stinson, Jr.	7 September 1968 – 3 March 1969 **(KIA)**
MAJ Edward F. Neary	3 March 1969 – 9 March 1969
LTC Reed E Davis, Jr.	10 March 1969 – 2 September 1969
LTC Arthur E. Brown, Jr.	2 September 1969 – 22 February 1970
LTC C. C. Phillips, Jr.	22 February 1970 8 August 1970
LTC J.E. Clites, Jr.	2 September 1970 -7 October 1970
MAJ Charles E. Getz	7 October 1970 – 7 July 1971
MAJ Robert Snyder	7 July 1971 – 26 July 1971
LTC William C. Roll	26 July 1971 - 2 November 1971

Vietnam: Separate Companies
C Company, 52nd Infantry, 716th MP Battalion, 89th MP Grp, 18th MP Brigade
CPT Julius G. Warmath   1966 – 1967
Unknown   1967 - 1972

D Company, 52nd Infantry, 95th MP Battalion, 89th MP Grp, 18th MP Brigade
Unknown   1966 - 1972

E Company 52nd Infantry (LRP), 1st Cavalry Division
CPT Michael Gooding   December 1967 – May 1968
CPT Joseph K. Kukea, Jr   May 1968 - Sept 1968
CPT George Paccerelli   October 1968 – February 1969

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F Company 52nd Infantry (LRP), 1st Infantry Division
CPT Jack Price   December 1967 – July 1968
1LT Harold Lowery   August 1968 – January 1969
CPT Allen A. Lindman   January 1969 – February 1969

1st Battalion, 52nd Infantry, Inactive 1971-1972

Bamberg, Germany
1st Battalion, 52nd Infantry
LTC Williams   1972-1974
LTC Anthony M. Jezior   1974-1975
LTC Donald Soland   1975-1976
LTC Theodore Gesulga   1976-1977
LTC Graham McKinnon   1977-May 1979
LTC William G. Carter   May 1979- June 1981
LTC Jack B. Woods   June 1981 -1983
LTC Lamar Crosby   1984-1986
LTC Mike Jallo   1986-1987
LTC William Patterson   1987-1988

National Training Center   1988 – 1994
1st Battalion, 52nd Infantry
LTC Doug MacFarlane   January 1988 – February 1989*
LTC Robert L. Jordan   February 1989 – June 1991**
LTC William Pennypacker   June 1991 – July 1993
LTC Thomas Turning   July 1993 – October 1994***

* Commanded 6th Bn, 31st Infantry when it was reflagged as the 1st Bn, 52 Infantry.
** Assigned to Company E, 52nd Infantry (LRRP) 1st Cavalry Division May 1968-1969; (reflagged H Company 75th Rangers, February 1969)
*** Commanded 1-52 Inf when inactivated October 1994

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