

# The Providers



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39<sup>th</sup> SPT BN Taji, Iraq

# BATTALION COMMANDER



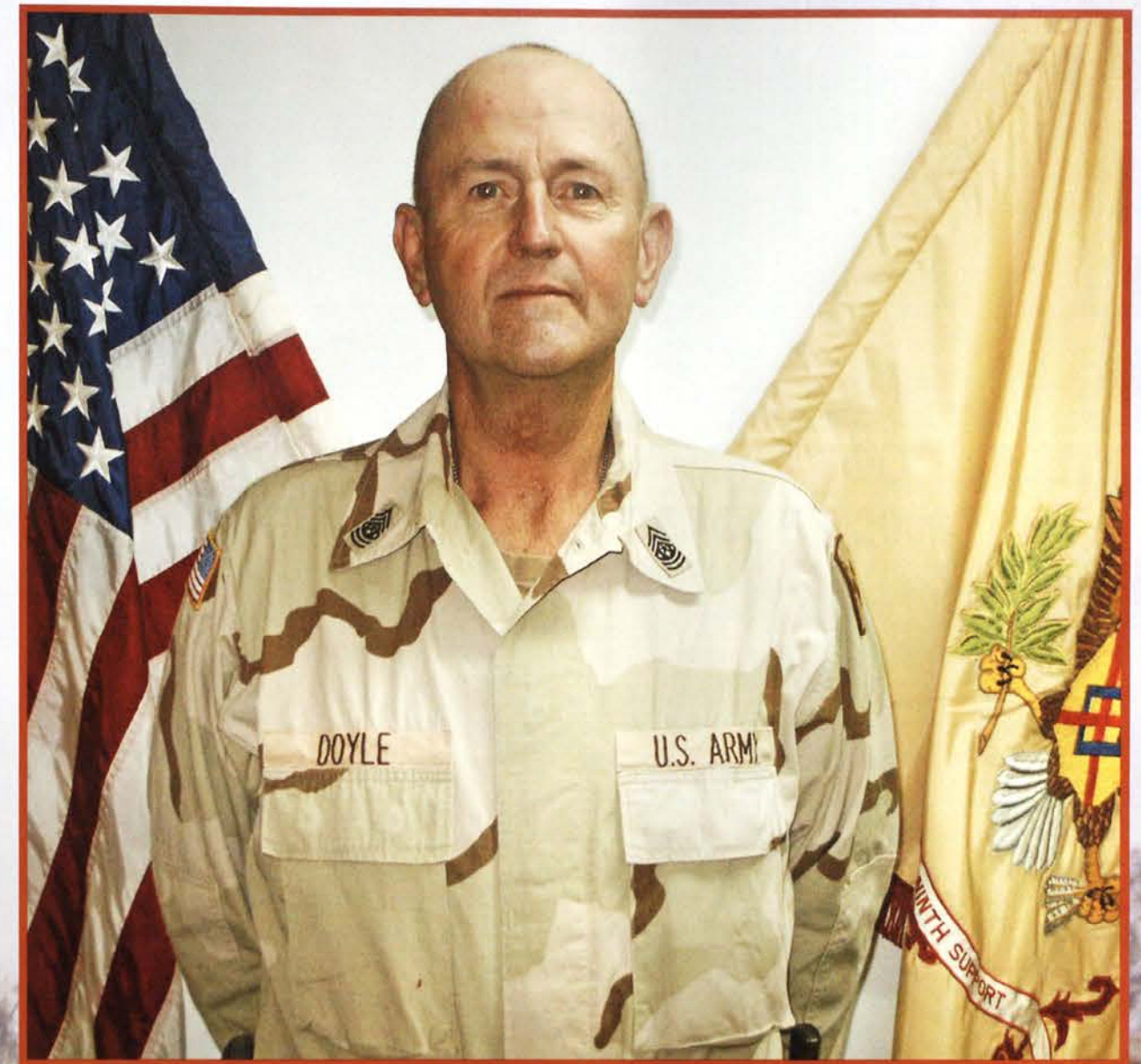
**ALLEN PARNELL HARGIS**

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**LARRY R. DOYLE**

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# WHAT IS THE 39<sup>th</sup> SUPPORT BATTALION?

By CW3 Dennis Bradley

Unless you've been associated with, supported by, or been assigned to the 39<sup>th</sup> Support Battalion you probably don't understand the major role it plays in the grand scheme of things. Our Support Battalion is a lot like the good old USA, it is a melting pot of wide array of highly skilled professionals from Cooks to Surgeons.

The main role of the 39<sup>th</sup> Support Battalion is to support the 39<sup>th</sup> Infantry Brigade in all aspects of their combat missions. This support comes in many shapes and sizes and from many different people. This support is invaluable to the effectiveness and ability in which the BDE completes their missions.

Headquarters Headquarters Company (HHC) whose motto is, "Lead the way Hooah" contains all of the key leadership who plans, disseminates and executes tasks handed down from Brigade.

Alpha Company (A Co) whose motto is, "No one is more professional than I" is an extremely vital asset to the BDE. If you can picture a Wal-Mart distribution center where all of the trucks are painted tan and all of the warehouse workers are wearing full combat gear while receiving, inventorying, and distributing all classes of supply (from beans to bullets) that keeps the BDE moving and fighting, then you can see A Co. Everything needed to sustain combat missions and just basic soldier needs are met through the efforts of the dedicated and knowledgeable soldiers of A Co.

1115<sup>th</sup> Transportation Company (1115<sup>th</sup> Trans) whose motto is, "Stay alert & Stay alive" hails from the great state of New Mexico. The 1115<sup>th</sup> stepped up to bat with their eager and extremely competent fleet of drivers to take on the task of all of the transportation missions assigned to the 39<sup>th</sup> SPT BN. Their fleets of trucks are definitely getting a workout and their soldiers are getting all too familiar with roads of Iraq. The 1115<sup>th</sup> and A Co work cohesively with one another to accomplish their missions.

Bravo Company (B Co) whose motto is, "Git-r-Dun" is a highly mobile direct support Maintenance Company. If you can break it they can fix it. From Radios to Wreckers to Cannons, B Co has the expertise to repair them, even in the middle of the desert. B Co is a one-stop shop for all of your maintenance needs.

642<sup>nd</sup> Maintenance Company DS (642<sup>nd</sup>) whose motto is, "Firewalkers" and who are also from New Mexico. This unit mirrors B Co in their ability to do maintenance, so the two units, although still separate units, have merged together to build one strong Direct Support Maintenance shop. 642<sup>nd</sup> has also been tasked with starting up and operating the Interrogation Facility here at Camp Cooke.

Charlie Company (C Co) whose motto is, "We can, we will" are the keepers of life. They literally hold life in their hands on a regular basis. C Co is comprised of some of the most talented Doctors, Nurses, and Medics that not just the Army, but society has to offer. I guess they're a little bit like B Co; if you get broke they can fix you.

Now that's what all of these fine Americans do as far as their job, but have you heard of a little thing called other duties as assigned? They also serve on the watchtowers while maintaining Force Protection. They guard the local nationals as they perform the various jobs that we hire them for. And there are a multitude of other areas that we serve. This is truly a diverse group.

I hope you can see from this small snapshot of our fine Battalion that all of us play an important role in the success of the 39<sup>th</sup> BCT while at home station and especially while deployed here at Camp Cooke, Taji, Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom II.



**BOUND FOR FORT HOOD, TEXAS  
29 OCTOBER 2003**



**HEADQUARTERS  
39<sup>th</sup> SUPPORT BATTALION**  
BATTALION COMMANDER  
ALLEN RHARGIS  
COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR  
LARRY DOYLE





Mobilizing an entire Brigade to deploy for war meant much preparation had to be done. Moving to Fort Hood, where the majority of training and preparations took place, was challenging. Troops sat through many mandatory classes and training exercises including families support briefings.



Loading equipment, the soldier's readiness processing (SRP), and classes, classes and more classes made for some long days and nights.







## THE REAR DETACHMENT



From (L-R) front row- SPC Erica Anderson, SSG Diane Taylor, SPC Stephanie Rone, SPC Jennifer Bennett and SPC Carla Williams. Back Row (L-R) SSG Greg Davis, SGT Darrell Pickett, MSG Charles Palmer, SSG Larry Whittenburg. Yellow box SPC Shannon Altizan

The Rear Detachment Operations (RDO) can be very challenging duty. During the mobilization in October of 2003, every battalion within the 39th Brigade, assigned soldiers to conduct rear operations at home station. Although the Rear Detachment remains in the United States they are required to qualify as "deployable" as though they were deploying to Iraq. The soldiers chosen to be assigned to the Rear Detachment are considered by the higher command as competent enough to manage the unit's armory and rear operations and responsible enough to work without immediate supervision.

The Support Battalion has eight armories in the state of Arkansas located in Hazen (headquarters), North Little Rock, Stuttgart, Dewitt, Pine Bluff, Conway, Heber Springs and Lonoke. The 642<sup>nd</sup> Maintenance Company is from Las Cruces, New Mexico and 1115<sup>th</sup> Transportation is from Taos, New Mexico.

The RDO representatives acted as Readiness NCOs, who were normally the full-time personnel when the unit was not deployed. They were responsible for all activities and operations in the armories during the month when the unit soldiers were not drilling. The purpose for the RDO was to be point of contacts for the deployed unit and their families for service and support. The responsibilities of the Rear Detachment Unit (RDU) included; (among many other things) personnel administration, logistics, recruiting and training new soldiers, processing soldiers for deployment, recovering AWOLs, supporting the families and Family Readiness Groups.



Personnel administration includes everything regarding the individual soldier from accountability to pay problems. The "non-deployable" soldiers were processed out of the Guard unless their situation was temporary or "fixable" and would allow them to become deployable within reasonable time. The RDU reps scheduled the non-deployable soldiers for a review board with the State to determine such status. Depending on what status the soldier was determined to be, the RDU processed the soldier accordingly.

Logistics were another duty of the RDU especially after the unit deployed. Everything was inventoried, turned in, or maintained depending on its status or purpose. Most of the assets left behind were excess, non-mission capable, or obsolete and was processed accordingly. One of the challenging issues that hindered operations in the rear was the lack of tools and assets to do certain things. Almost everything was sent with the deployed unit to Iraq and a lot of rear missions had to be coordinated with the STARC unit at Camp Robinson.

The RDU was also responsible for organizing and conducting weekend drills. The drills accounted for non-deployable soldiers and new soldiers fresh out of Basic Training and AIT until they are discharged or otherwise deployed forward into Theatre. Newly recruited soldiers were sent through a Basic Training Orientation Program (BTOP), which is also planned and facilitated by the RDU. The RDU soldiers also had required training and certifications which had to be maintained in order to remain qualified to conduct or perform certain duties during missions.



The RDU supported the Family Readiness Groups with projects as needed. They attended the FRG meetings which were normally held at the armory, and provided them with information regarding the forward unit. They also maintained communications with the forward unit commanders, responded to stateside emergencies on order, and maintained the armory facilities and exterior properties.







Master Sergeant Palmer was the NCO in charge of the Support Battalion Rear Operations and all personnel. It was his duty to supervise all operations for the Battalion and maintain the discipline and focus of the RDO personnel. He also maintained communications and reported to the Brigade RDO Commander, LTC Mark Lumpkin. MSG Palmer and CW4 Herbert Kling (picture unavailable) had the additional duty of casualty notification and casualty assistance. When a soldier was killed in action or wounded in action, they were responsible for notifying and assisting the victim's family. This was by far the most dreaded duty of the Rear Detachment. Not only was it regretful to face the family members with such grief but to know that one or several of our Fellow Guard Members and friends have made the ultimate sacrifice. The RDO NCOs had the additional duty of Funeral Detail for funeral services of fallen soldiers.



Although the Forward Unit greatly appreciated and valued the effort of the RDO, the soldiers in the rear couldn't help but to feel somewhat left out of the fight especially when a soldier is killed or wounded in Theatre. However they realized their job was very important to us, our families and the over all mission of Operation Iraqi Freedom II. Knowing our own unit members were in the rear to supporting us and our families with issues that occurred, was the assurance which allowed us to concentrate on the mission to secure our freedom.

**"FROM THE FRONT TO THE REAR, THANKS FOR A JOB WELL DONE!"**



# FORT HOOD, TEXAS



AMERICA'S FIRST TEAM



LIVE THE LEGEND!!!

Home Of The  
FIRST CALVARY INFANTRY  
DIVISION  
HEADQUARTERS

BN XO MAJ Robert McGill (photo shown)



Support Battalion  
arrives in  
Fort Hood for  
the mobilization  
preparations and  
train-up.

(Above)  
Soldiers from  
Charlie Medical  
Company pose for  
a group photo.

(Left)  
Specialist  
Carla Williams  
shows off her  
legendary  
gymnastic talent  
during the second  
Soldier Readiness  
Process (SRP).



Aside from administrative readiness the Battalion prepared and accounted for all equipment and materials to be shipped into Theatre.



Marksmanship was, of course, a high priority. Ensuring that each soldier's weapon was clean and functional for combat was pretty important too. (Right) Soldiers use lasers on pop-up targets during Primary Marksmanship Instruction. (PMI)



(Middle left) LTC Paladino assists 1LTs Kyzer and Lowery with weapon malfunctions. (Middle right) MAJ Bradley Cox takes aim while using a 9MM with a laser during PMI. (Left) SSGs Young and Woodley take time out for a thorough weapon's cleaning.





(Above)  
A squad leader uses a "sand table" to instruct soldiers before conducting patrol exercises.

(Below) SGTs Franks and Gonzales teamed up for search and seizure training.



(Above) Soldiers stabilize a victim during a Lanes Training exercise.  
(Below) SPC Martin administers the Anthrax vaccine to a fellow soldier.





(Above) SFC Zomant, SSG Brandon and SSG Orton enjoy breakfast at one of the post dining facilities.



(Middle) Two battalion soldiers blow off steam with a quick pillow fight.



(Below) Soldiers from C-Med relax during a company night out at "Chilli's."



(Left) SGT Lyons is assured a good fit of his Protective Mask.

(Middle) Troops moved to the daily training sites the old fashioned way which made for good PT.

(Bottom) As preparations for training began PFC Harper breaks away from a social visit.





THE CALVARY BALL

(Top) Command Sergeant Majors Dunhan and Doyle  
(Bottom) CPT Richardson and wife, LTC Hargis, MAJ Cox and wife and MAJ McGill.



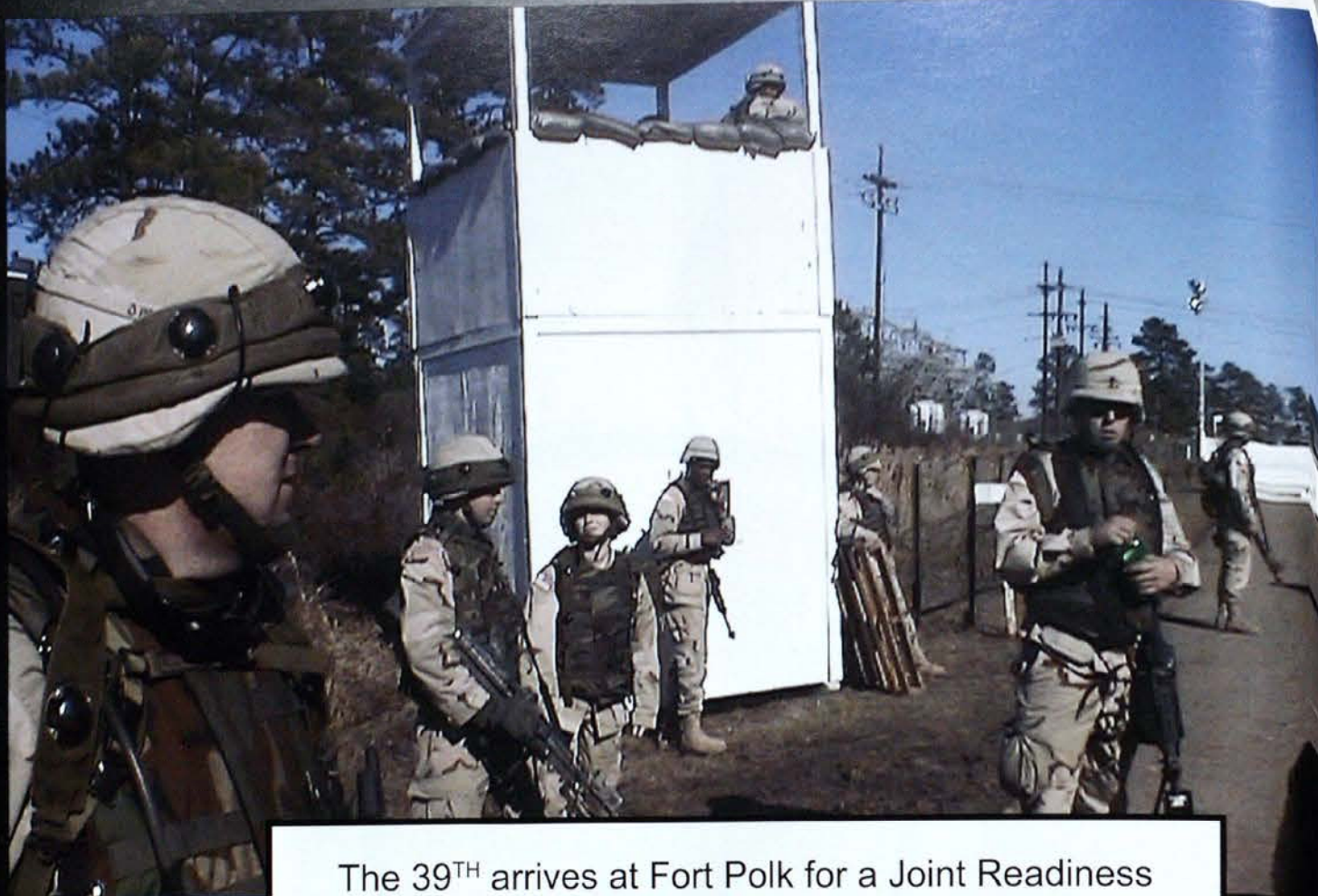
(Above) "EYES RIGHT!" as the mounted First and Seventh Division commanders pass and review the Bowie Team battalion formations.  
(Below) A mass formation of the deploying Calvary.



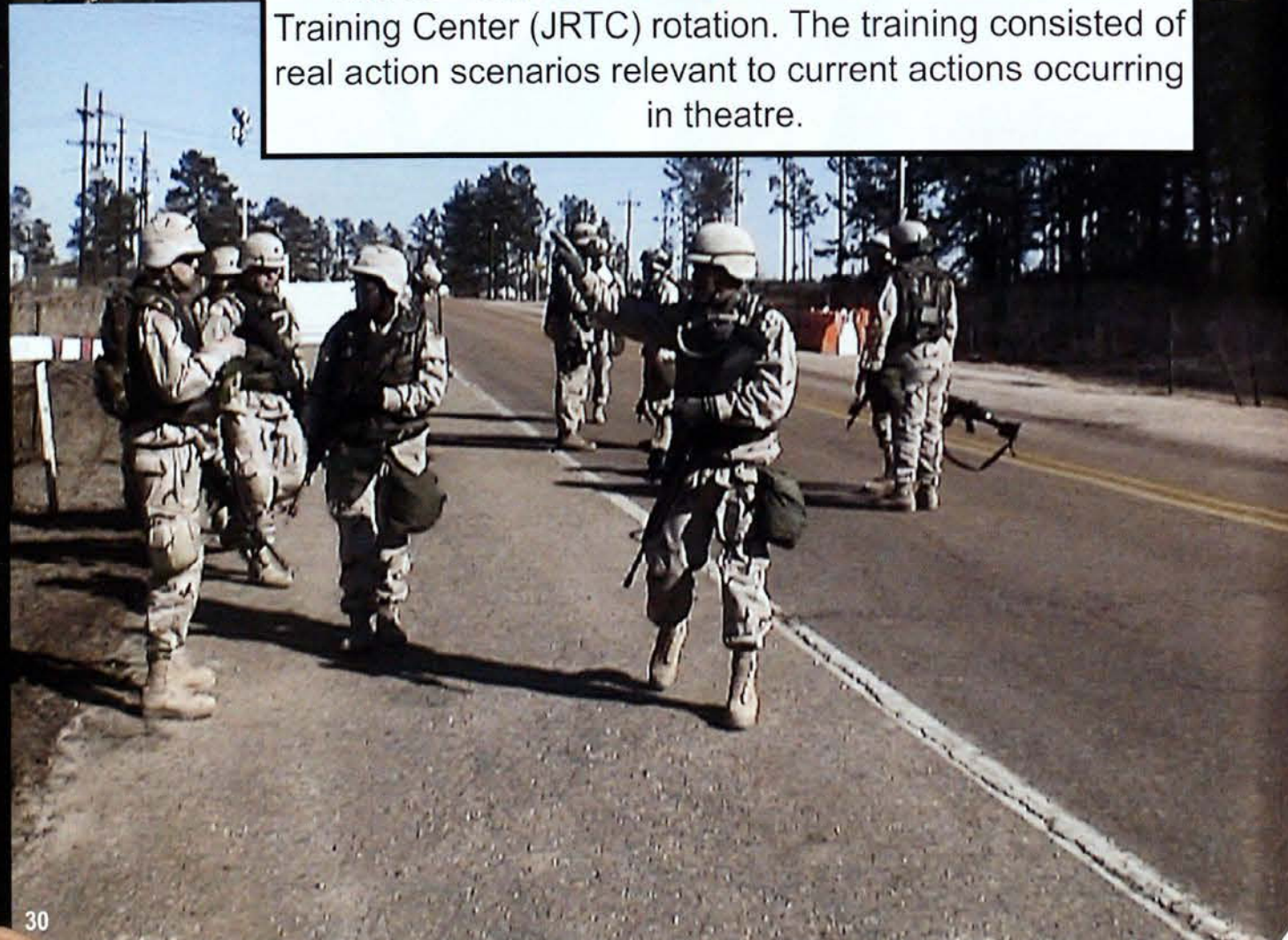


The FIRST TEAM DIVISION CASING OF THE COLORS included all attached Brigades and Battalions. The ceremony followed the traditional Pass and Review on the division headquarters parade field.

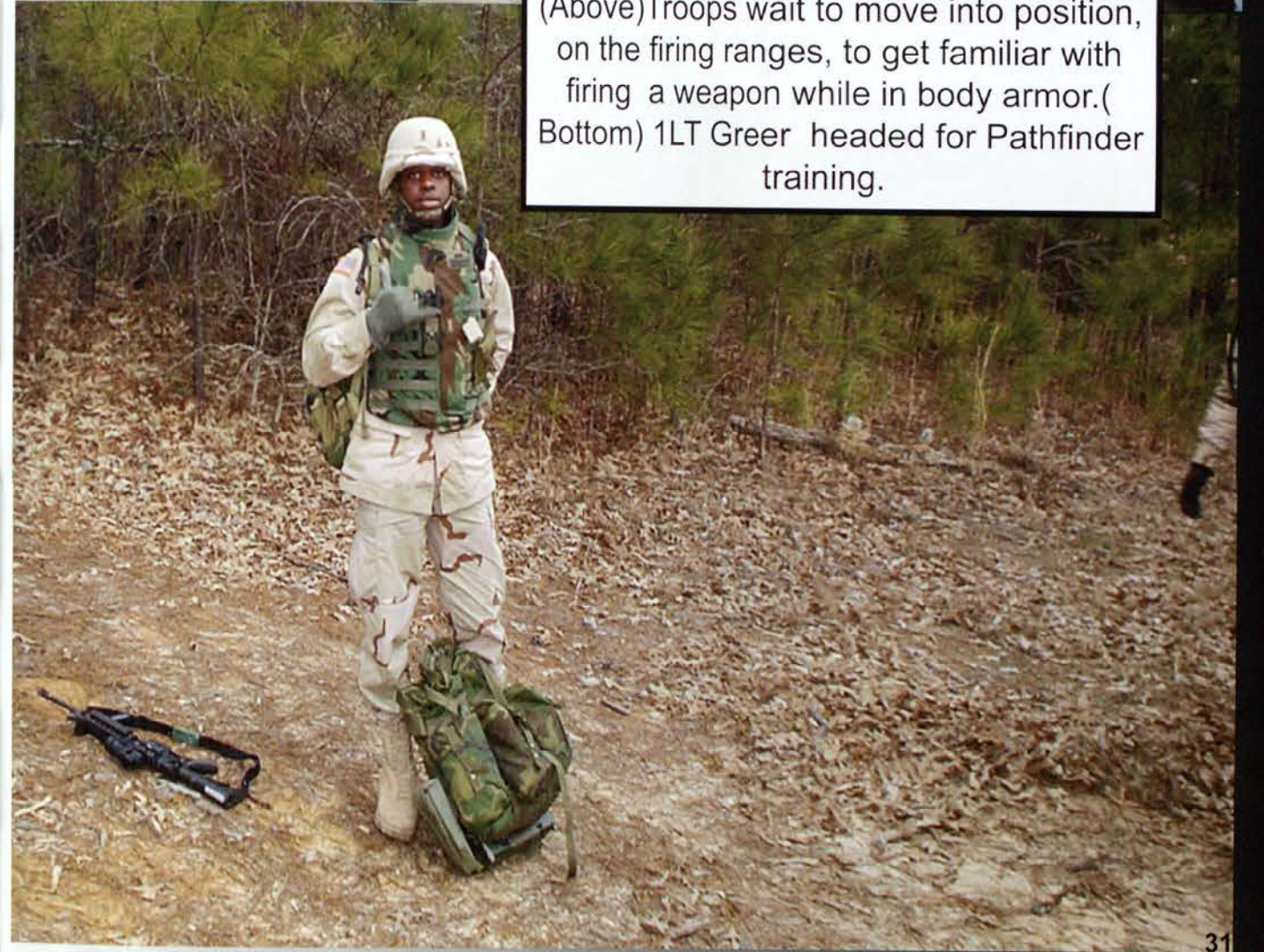




The 39<sup>TH</sup> arrives at Fort Polk for a Joint Readiness Training Center (JRTC) rotation. The training consisted of real action scenarios relevant to current actions occurring in theatre.



(Above) Troops wait to move into position, on the firing ranges, to get familiar with firing a weapon while in body armor. (Bottom) 1LT Greer headed for Pathfinder training.

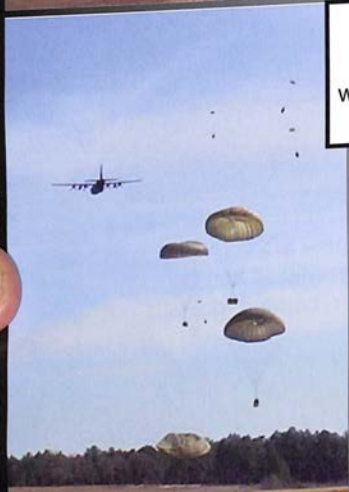






### THE DROP ZONE:

A drop zone is a secure open area in a combat zone where airdrops of supplies and equipment are retrieved and distributed to troops in hostile territories.



Pathfinder Training instructs selected soldiers on how to prepare an area for receiving airdrops from cargo planes. The training also instructs soldiers on the "around the clock" operations and security of the drop zone.

(Pathfinders Shown / middle photo L to R)

- SPC Tim Adair
- SPC Chris Slaughter
- CPT Gib Richardson
- SSG Shawn Buffalo
- SPC Hickory Satterlee



(Below) Pathfinders retrieve a parachute from the field.

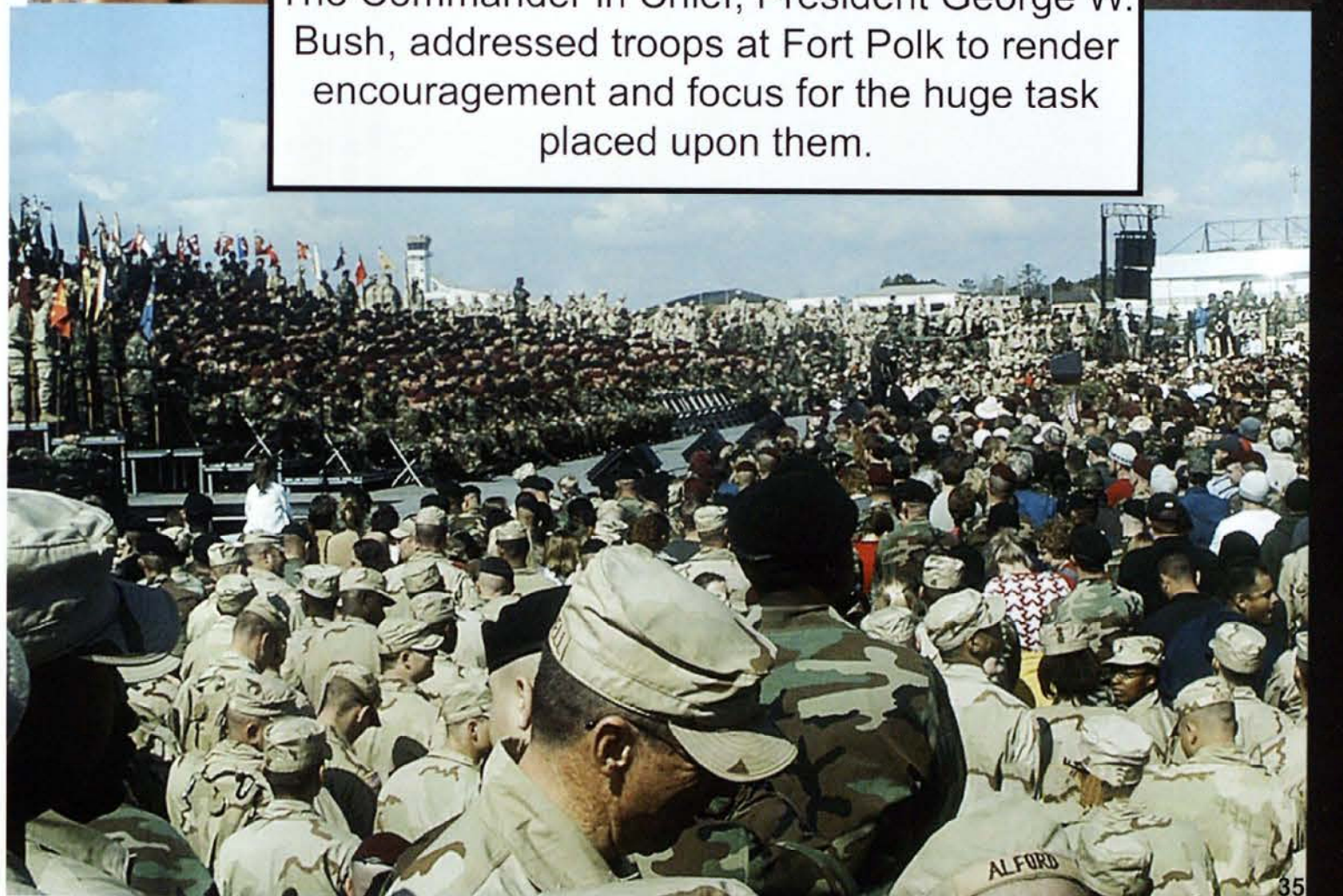




A little time  
to spare  
between  
training.



The Commander in Chief, President George W. Bush, addressed troops at Fort Polk to render encouragement and focus for the huge task placed upon them.





We Support Our Troops

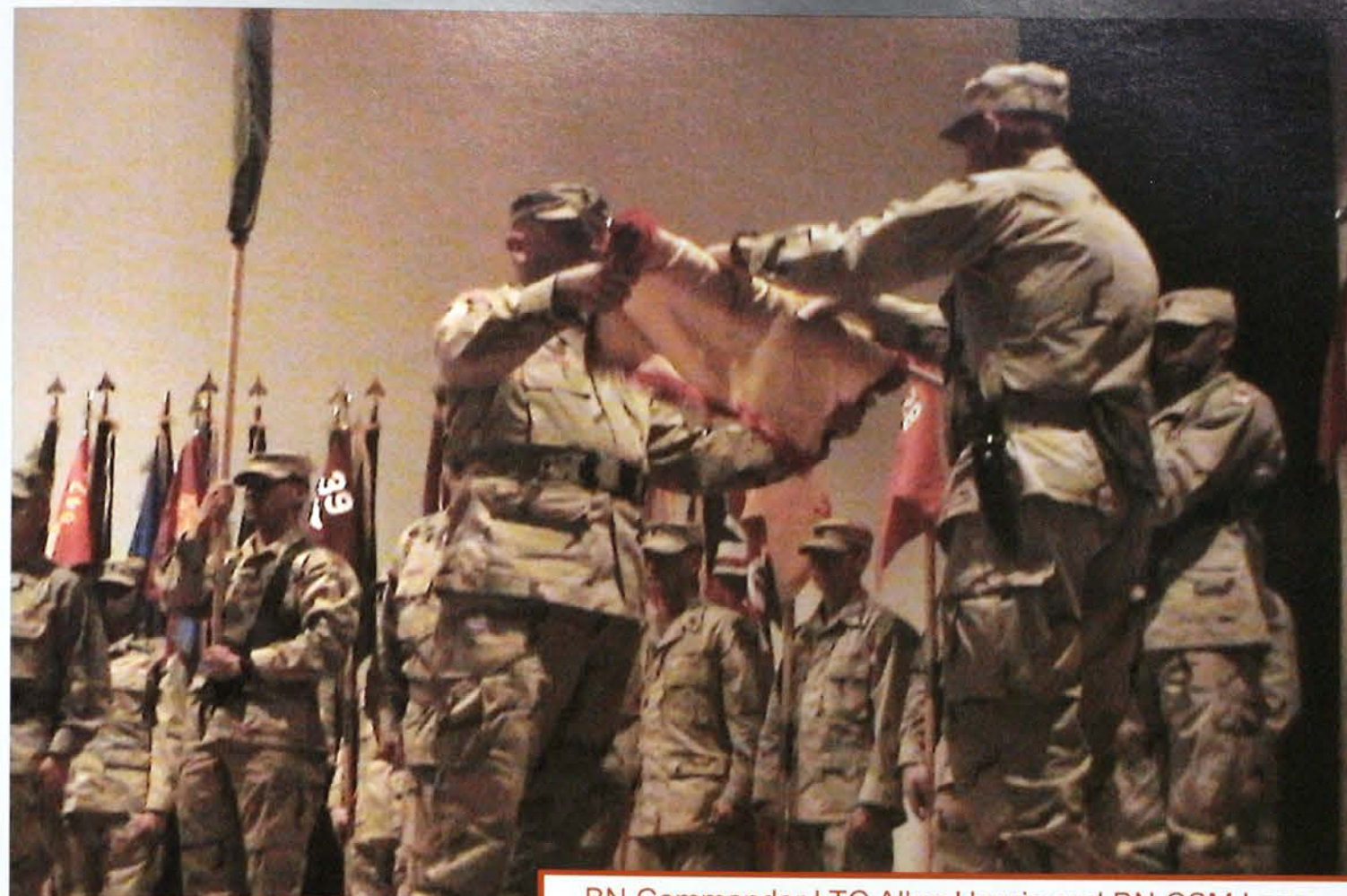
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**THE CASING OF THE COLORS CEREMONY  
AT  
FORT POLK, LA**

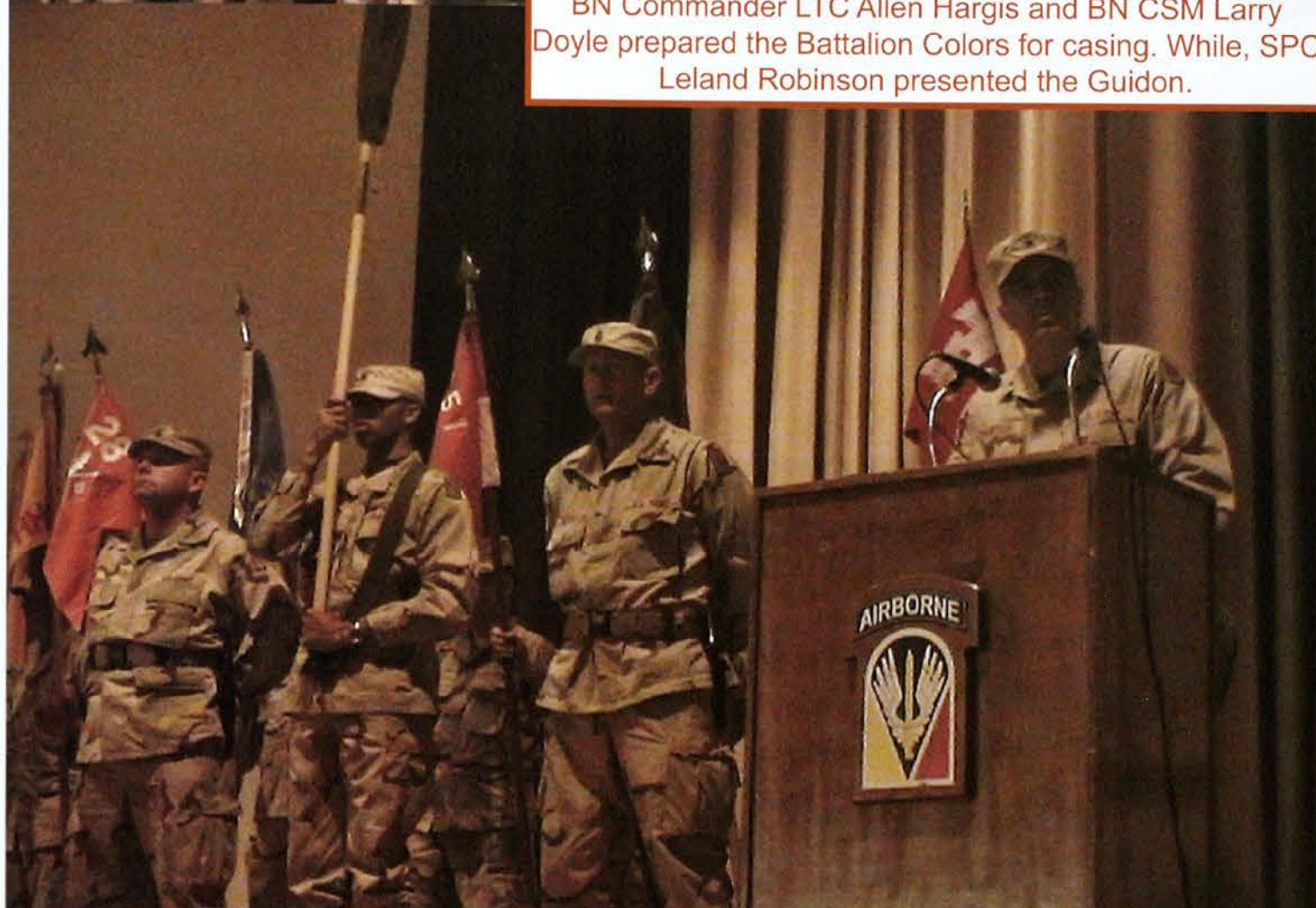
The Casing and Uncasing of Unit Colors is a symbolic ceremony that marks the official transfer of mission from the outgoing demobilizing unit to the incoming mobilized unit.



BN Commander LTC Allen Hargis and BN CSM Larry Doyle prepared the Battalion Colors for casing. While, SPC Leland Robinson presented the Guidon.



After six months of extensive training at Fort Hood, Texas and Fort Polk, Louisiana the 39<sup>th</sup> Brigade Combat Team deployed to Iraq for Operation Iraqi Freedom II in March 2004.





**THE JOURNEY TO THE MIDDLE EAST  
DESTINATION: IRAQ**



(TOP) SGT Kenneth Hill, SGT Harlem Hood, and SSG Ray Amos  
(BOTTOM Facing) SPC Bridgette Larkin, SPC Falon Tsui and SPC Chris Dyer



Troops were transported by buses and vans to the airfield where they waited, sometimes for hours, to board the plane.



(Above)  
SGT Toni Franks and  
SGT Michelle Gonzales  
(Below)  
SGT Steve Thissen and  
SGT Charles Kee



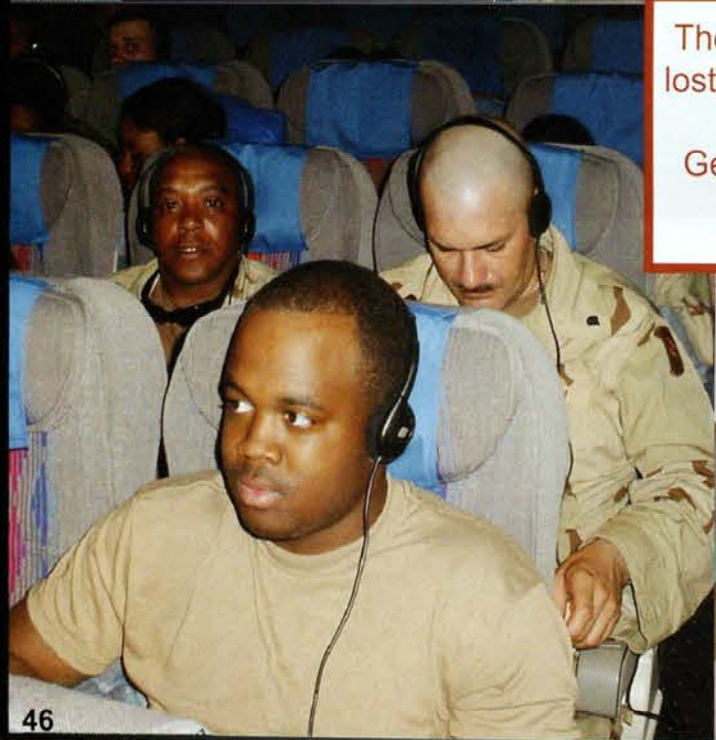


The commercial flight from Fort Polk, LA to Kuwait took approximately 18 hours. The comforts and amenities of the Boeing 747 helped to alleviate stress from the long haul across 9 time zones.





Aside from the movies, the meals, the lounging seats and the company of other soldiers there were two stops for fuel. Soldiers were afforded the opportunity to stretch there legs at Bangor, ME ; Ireland or Germany terminals.



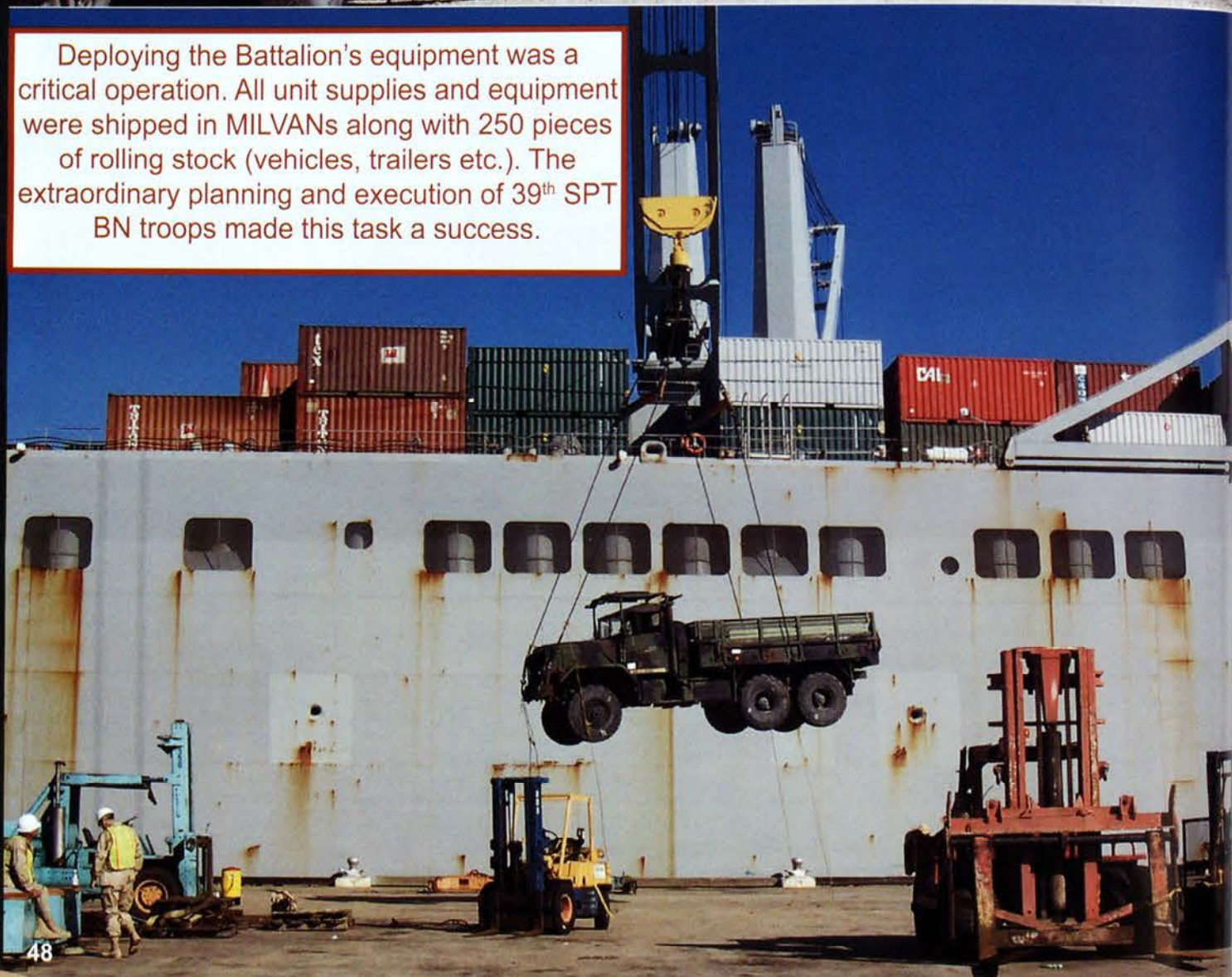
The flight was a good opportunity to catch up on sleep lost during training. Although all seats were comfortable some were better than others. Getting acclimated to the new time zone was the first challenge faced by many soldiers.







Deploying the Battalion's equipment was a critical operation. All unit supplies and equipment were shipped in MILVANS along with 250 pieces of rolling stock (vehicles, trailers etc.). The extraordinary planning and execution of 39<sup>th</sup> SPT BN troops made this task a success.



The shipment was bound for the Persian Gulf along with the battalion's 42 MILVANS. After 25 days ,to cross the Atlantic Ocean, everything arrived safely as planned.





Organizing and loading the vehicles for transport was no easy task and potentially dangerous. This operation was accomplished with no accidents or injuries to any soldier.





The Battalion arrives for Training @.....

## CAMP NEW YORK

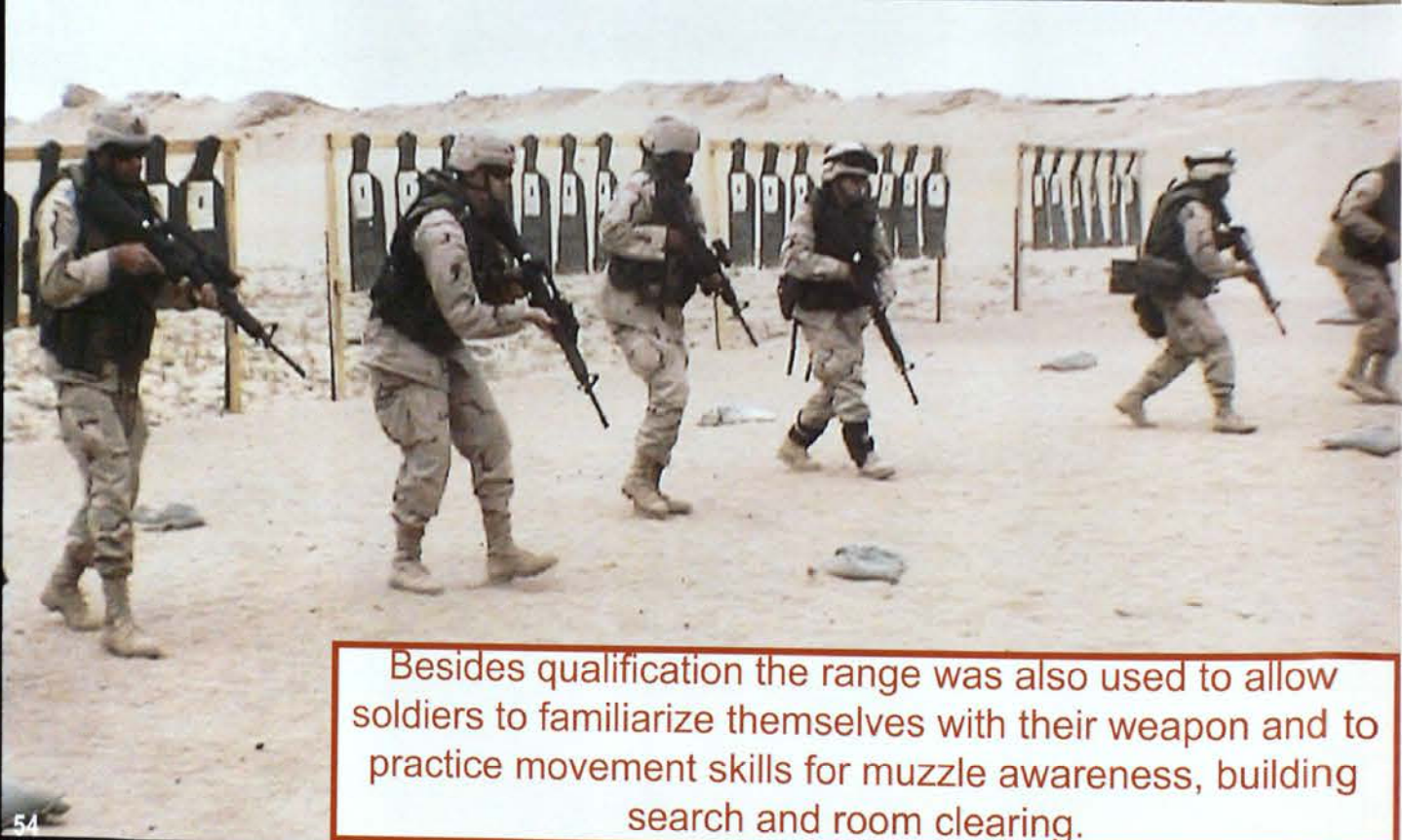


(Top) Soldiers of Bravo Co. arrive in Kuwait. (Below) 642<sup>nd</sup> Maintenance Company prepare to move to the firing range to zero and qualify weapons while enduring dust and high winds





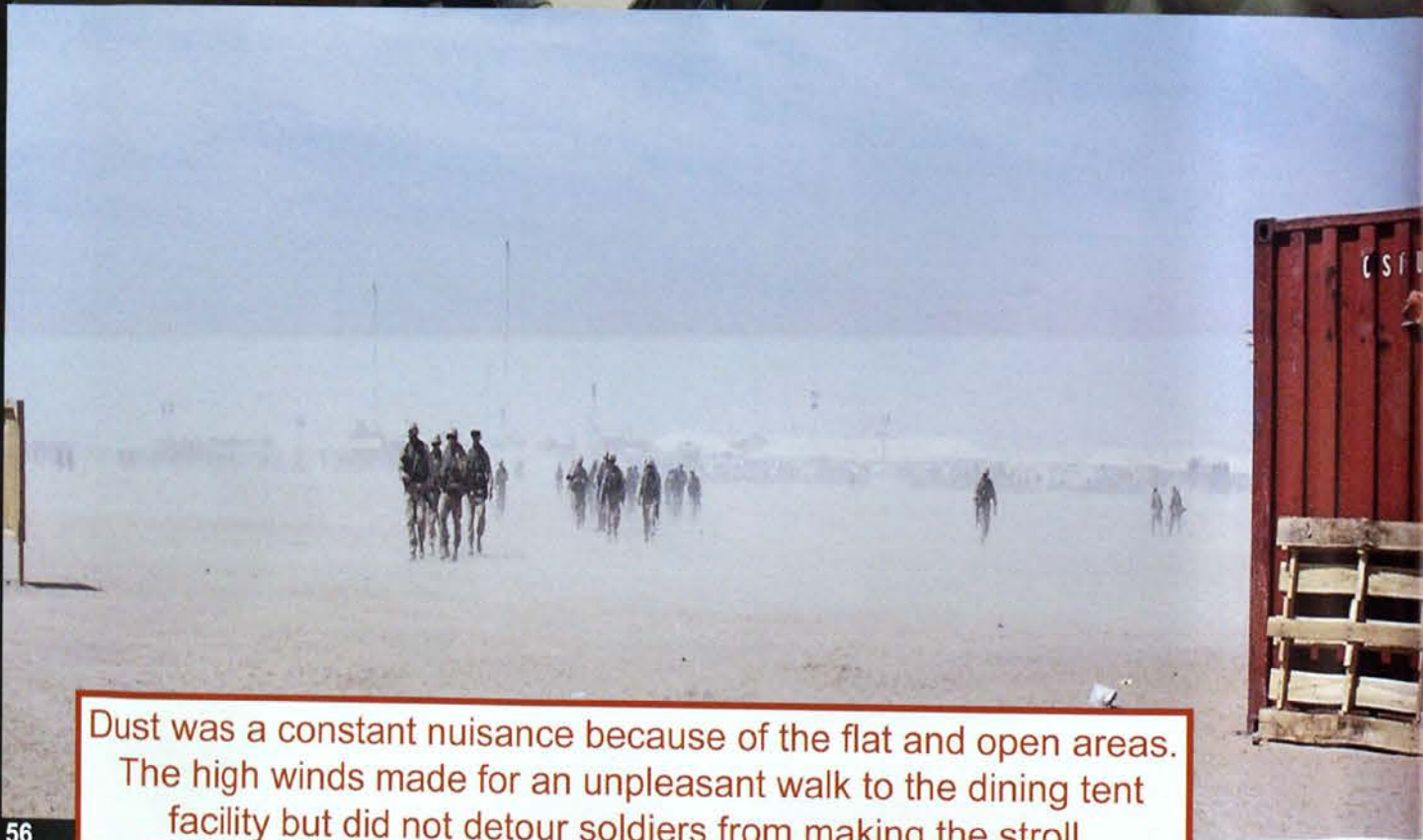
(Above) Troops were transported to the range by 1115<sup>TH</sup> TRANS. The lead vehicle got stuck in a soft sand area. Soldiers dismounted and push the vehicle to harder ground.  
(Below) Soldiers from 642<sup>nd</sup> prepare to move up to the firing line for weapons qualification.



Besides qualification the range was also used to allow soldiers to familiarize themselves with their weapon and to practice movement skills for muzzle awareness, building search and room clearing.



Camels were a familiar view around Camp New York. As the convoy arrives Captain Gib Richardson gets a birdseye view of the host nation herd.



Dust was a constant nuisance because of the flat and open areas. The high winds made for an unpleasant walk to the dining tent facility but did not detour soldiers from making the stroll.

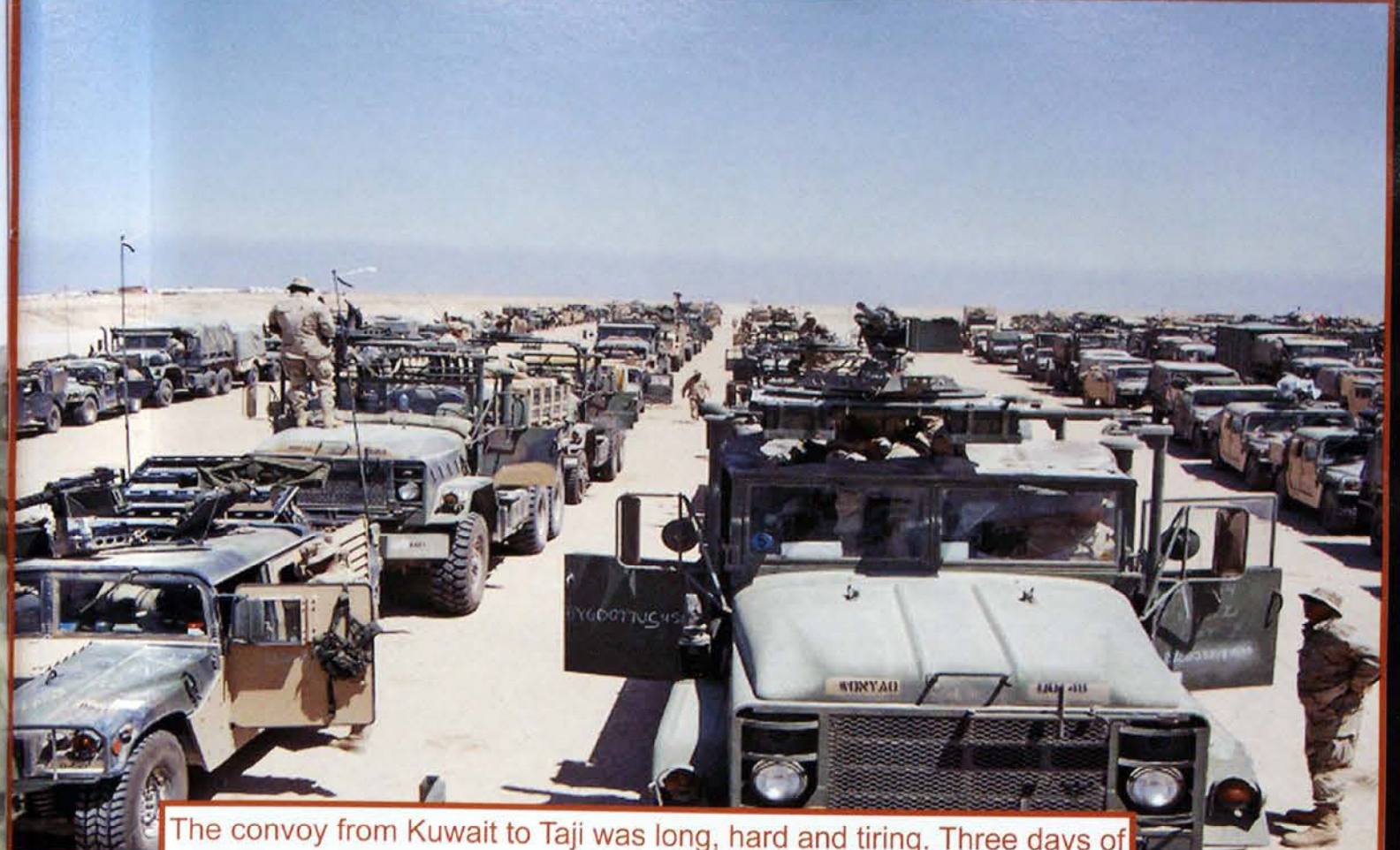


Air travel from Kuwait to BIAP (Baghdad International Airport) was nearly two hours on Air Force C-17s and C-130s. The lack of accommodations for comfort made this combat flight an experience to remember.

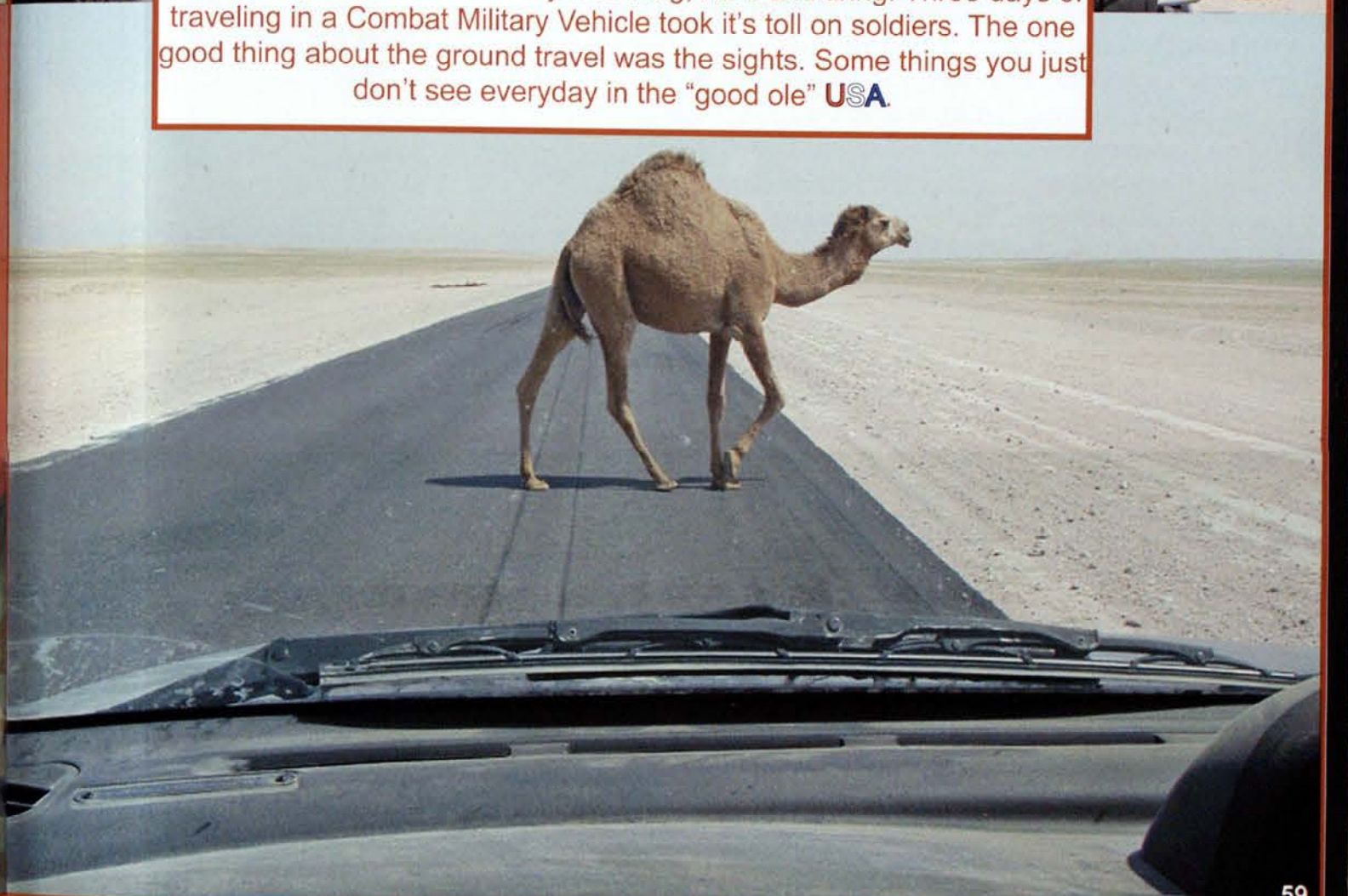


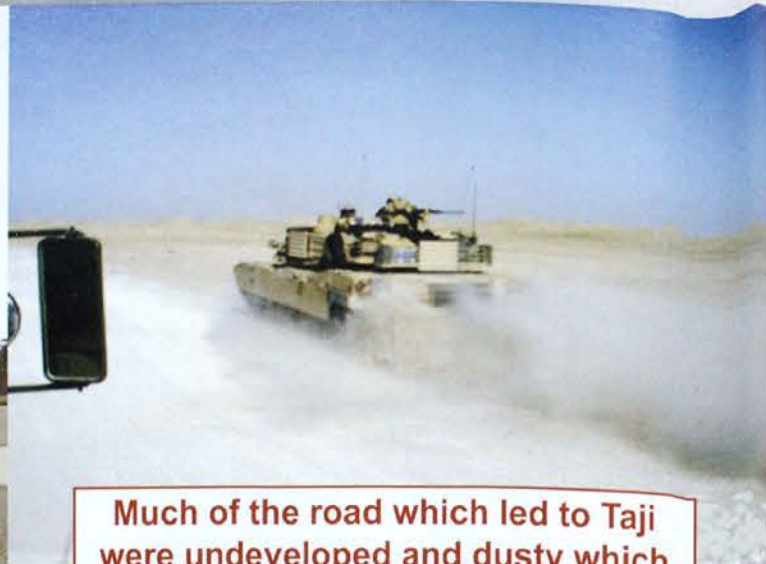


SGT Tim Smith and SPC Jeremy Wadkins (below) were excited and prepared for the ride ahead while their baggage was being loaded aboard the C-130.



The convoy from Kuwait to Taji was long, hard and tiring. Three days of traveling in a Combat Military Vehicle took its toll on soldiers. The one good thing about the ground travel was the sights. Some things you just don't see everyday in the "good ole" USA.





Much of the road which led to Taji were undeveloped and dusty which forced slower speeds and longer travel.



All soldiers were briefed and rehearsed prior to every convoy mission to ensure each soldier was prepared to travel. The pre-convoy checks included the mission, vehicle and personal equipment, safety precautions, route intelligence, accountability and guidance for reacting to an attack.

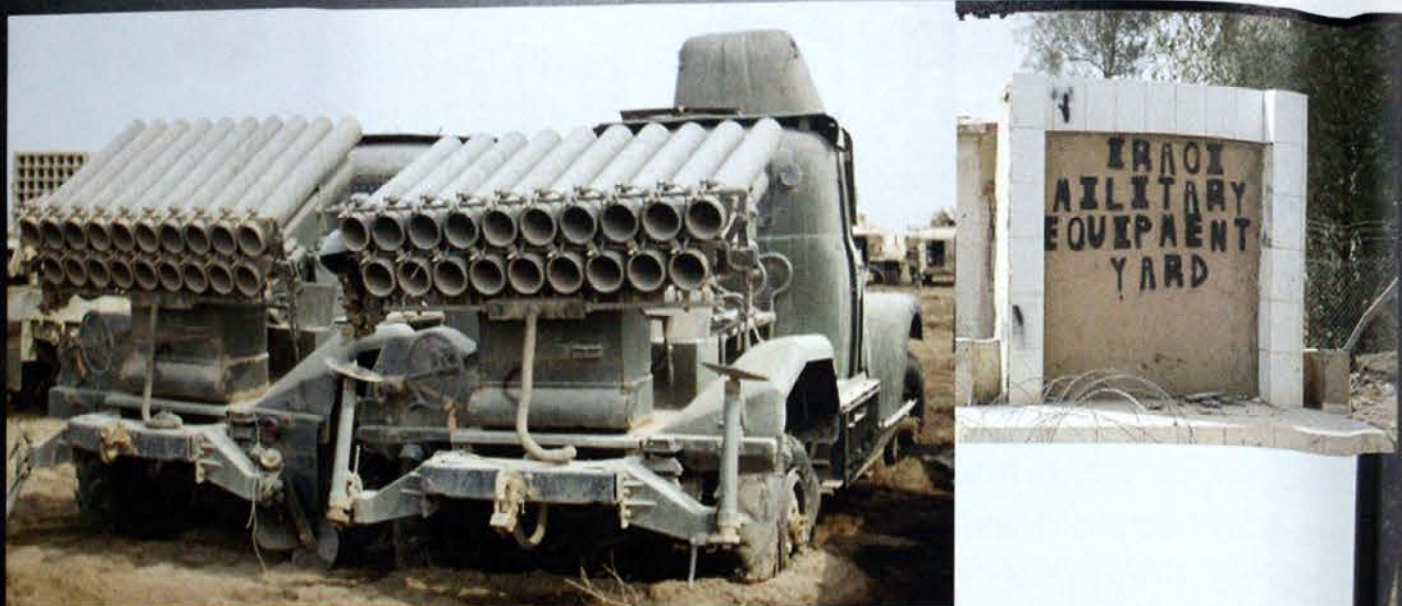


# CAMP COOKE TAJI, IRAQ

Temporary Home of the  
BOWIE TEAM PROVIDERS  
March 2004

Upon arrival Camp Cooke looked like a "city dump" with piles and piles of trash and rubble covering most of the roadways and parking areas. Much of the areas had to be cleared before the main body could occupy the area.  
(Below COL Orsini of C-MED standing in rubble from a bombed building))





Hundreds of acres of Iraqi vehicles and equipment lay desolate inside the walls of Camp Cooke which was previously an Iraqi military base. Much of the old equipment was later used by the new Iraqi National Guardsmen for force protection and repair parts.



Our mission included supporting the 39<sup>th</sup> Brigade force during it's role in the rebuilding of Iraq. An enormous amount of work was done to establish the Taji Forward Operating Base. Force Protection was high among the priorities as well as reconstructing facilities and roadways for operations. Unfortunately the effort produced regretful sacrifices throughout the tour of duty.





## SOME GAVE ALL

Around five a.m., Saturday morning April 24<sup>th</sup>, 2004, rockets showered Camp Cooke claiming the lives of four Support Battalion soldiers. Five 57mm rockets landed on base prompting soldiers to take cover in the nearest bunkers. When the flurry of indirect fire appeared to have ended leaders of Headquarters Company exited the bunkers to get accountability of their soldiers and to ensure everyone was all right. After walking a few feet outside the bunkers an 80mm rocket fell from the sky and impacted among a group standing just outside the bunker. The explosion from the rocket killed four Headquarters Company soldiers; CPT Arthur "Bo" Felder, CW4 Patrick Kordsmiere, SSG Stacy Brandon and SSG Billy Orton, six soldiers were seriously wounded; CPT Steve Smith, SFC Adam Zomant, SFC Wayne Ireland, SSG Larry Starr, SGT James Carter and SPC James Bilon. The rocket's blast also inflicted minor injuries to 23 others nearby.

The impact was devastating and the enemy's deadly indirect fire was obviously not over. Immediately the battalion medics and trauma teams of company C placed themselves in harms way and without hesitation began saving lives. Troops also came from other companies to render assistance and to help move wounded soldiers to the nearest treatment facility.

This was by far the deadliest and one of the most regretted days for the support battalion.

On October 7, 2004 SFC John Holmes, SSG Troy Lewis and SGT Ronald W. Baker, of Charlie Company, were traveling to FOB Anaconda on a supply mission when their convoy was hit by a car bomb. The explosion wounded SFC Holmes and SSG Lewis, and seriously wounded SGT Baker who later died at a treatment facility in Germany on October 13, 2004.

The misfortunate deaths of our five battalion heroes were huge losses and will be felt for some time to come. The brigade loss a total of 33 soldiers and could have suffered many more had it not been for the courage, dedication and professionalism of our unit combat life savers, Company C and trauma teams who consistently distinguished themselves during the most severe combat conditions. No amount of protective gear can guarantee complete exemption from the intent of harm's way, but in an environment where grave danger is as certain as it is unpredictable, the courageous spirit and diligence of the American Soldier will always prevail.

"Providers Never Fail"



We will remember many things

Different things

Different for each of us

But rest assured

**WE WILL REMEMBER**

**THE FALLEN HEROES OF  
THE 39TH SUPPORT BATTALION  
OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM II**

**AURTHUR LEJOHN "BO" FELDER  
PATRICK WILLIAM KORDSMEIER**

**BILLY JOE ORTON**

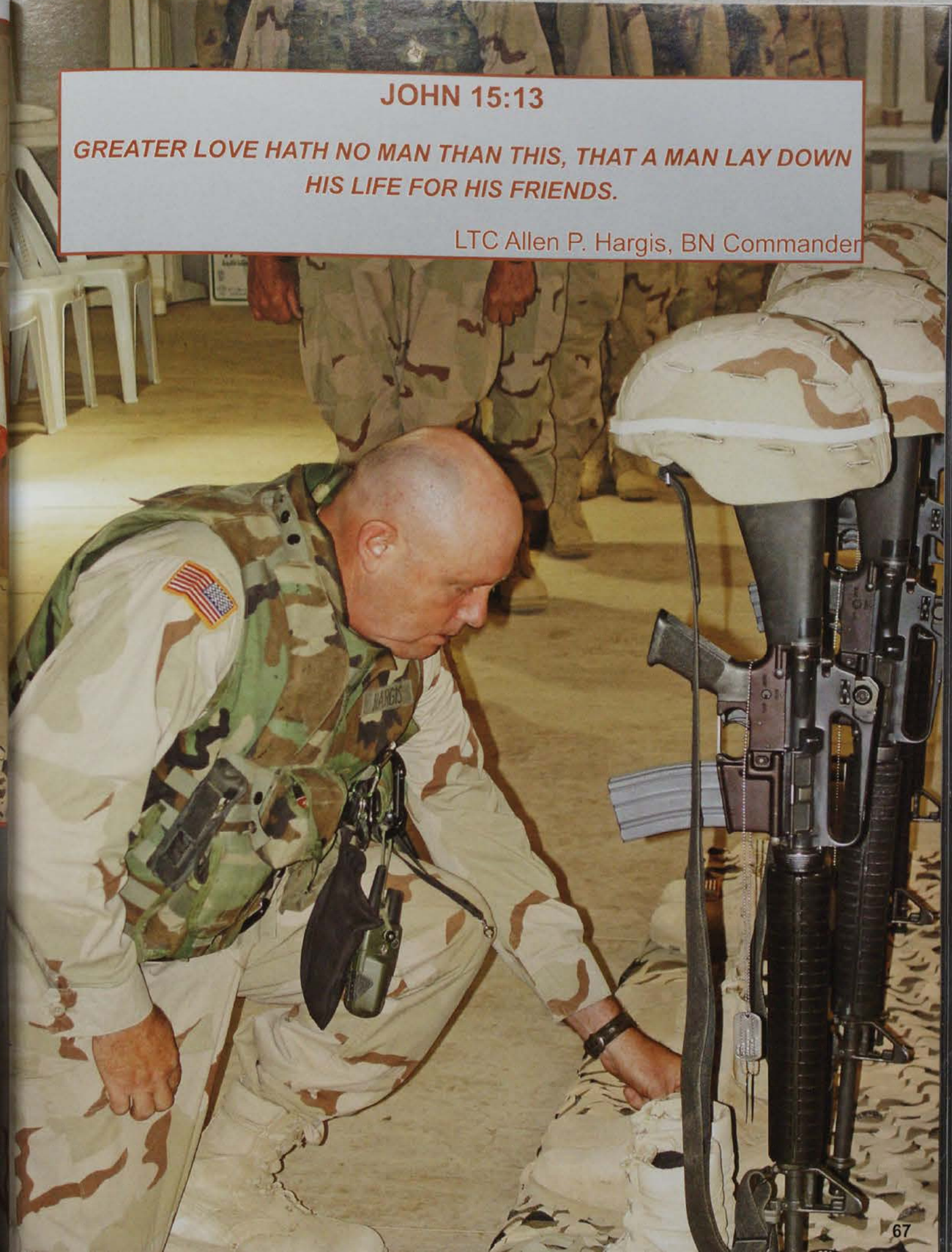
**STACEY CRAIG BRANDON**

**RONALD W BAKER**

**MEMORIAL**



**JOHN 15:13**  
*GREATER LOVE HATH NO MAN THAN THIS, THAT A MAN LAY DOWN HIS LIFE FOR HIS FRIENDS.*  
LTC Allen P. Hargis, BN Commander



**PSALM 27:1**  
*THE LORD IS MY LIGHT AND MY SALVATION; WHOM SHALL I FEAR?  
THE LORD IS THE STRENGTH OF MY LIFE; OF WHOM SHALL I FEAR.  
WHEN THE WICKED, EVEN MINE ENEMIES AND MY FOES, CAME  
UPON ME TO EAT UP MY FLESH, THEY STUMBLERED AND FELL.*  
The Support Battalion Staff



# ARTHUR LEJOHN "BO" FELDER

October 17, 1967-April 24, 2004

**CAPTAIN INFANTRY**  
**Headquarters Company-Commander**  
**Years of Service - 20**  
**Hometown - Little Rock, AR**  
**Survived by: Children- Jaelun, Amari, Fiance' - Lisa**



## PSALMS 23:1-4

THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD; I SHALL NOT WANT. HE MAKETH ME TO LIE DOWN IN GREEN PASTURES: HE LEADETH ME BESIDE THE STILL WATERS. HE RESTORETH MY SOUL: HE LEADETH ME IN THE PATHS OF RIGHTEOUSNESS FOR HIS NAME SAKE. YEA, THOUGH I WALK THROUGH THE SHADOW OF DEATH, I WILL FEAR NO EVIL: FOR THOU ART WITH ME; THEY ROD AND THY STAFF THEY COMFORT ME

Headquarters Company



# Patrick William Kordsmeier

July 8, 1954 - April 24, 2004

Chief Warrent Officer 4

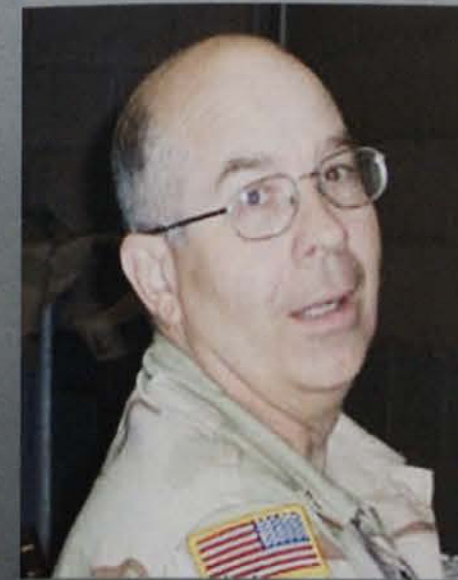
Quartermaster

Headquarters Company - Property Book Officer

Years of service - 31

Hometown - North Little Rock, AR

Survived by - Wife - Linda, Children - Jason, David and Jennifer



## ROMANS 8:38-39

FOR I AM PERSUADED, THAT NEITHER DEATH, NOR LIFE, NOR ANGELS, NOR PRINCIPALITIES, NOR POWERS, NOR THINGS PRESENT, NOR THINGS TO COME, NOR HEIGHT, NOR DEPTH, NOR ANYTHING OTHER CREATURE, SHALL BE ABLE TO SEPARATE US FROM THE LOVE OF GOD, WHICH IS IN CHRIST JESUS OUR LORD.

Alpha Company



# Billy Joe Orton

September 10, 1962 - April 24, 2004

Staff Sergeant  
Headquarters Company - Supply Clerk  
Years of Service 24  
Hometown - Carlisle, AR  
Survived by - Wife - Margarita, Children - David and Benjamin



**MATTHEW 11:28-29**

COME ONTO ME, ALL YE THAT LABOUR AND ARE HEAVY LADEN, AND I WILL GIVE YOU REST. TAKE MY YOKE UPON YOU, AND LEARN OF ME; FOR I AM MEEK AND LOWLY IN HEART: YE SHALL FIND REST UNTO YOUR SOULS.

Bravo Company



# Stacy Craig Brandon

April 28, 1968 - April 24, 2004

Staff Sergeant  
 Headquarters Company - Personnel Administration  
 Years of Service - 14  
 Hometown - Hazen, AR  
 Survived by - Wife - April, Children - Jonathan and Brianna



## LUKE 4:18

THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD IS UPON ME, BECAUSE HE HATH ANOINTED ME TO PREACH THE GOSPEL TO THE POOR; HE HATH SENT ME TO HEAL THE BROKENHEARTED, TO PREACH DELIVERANCE TO THE CAPTIVES, AND RECOVERING OF SIGHT TO THE BLIND, TO SET AT LIBERTY THEM THAT ARE BRUISED,

Charlie Company



# Ronald W. Baker

June 7, 1970 - October 13, 2004

Specialist  
Charlie Company - Medical Supply Clerk  
Years of Service - 3  
Hometown - Cabot, AR  
Survived by - Wife - Joann, Daughter - Alexis



## PSALM 91:1-2

HE THAT DWELLETH IN THE SECRET PLACE OF THE MOST HIGH SHALL ABIDE UNDER THE SHADOW OF THE ALMIGHTY. I WILL SAY OF THE LORD, HE IS MY REFUGE AND MY FORTRESS: MY GOD; IN HIM WILL I TRUST.

642<sup>ND</sup> Maintenance Company



JOHN 14:1-3

LET NOT YOUR HEART BE TROUBLED: YE BELIEVE IN GOD, BELIEVE ALSO IN ME. IN MY FATHER'S HOUSE ARE MANY MANSIONS: IF IT WERE NOT SO I WOULD HAVE TOLD YOU. I GO TO PREPARE A PLACE FOR YOU. AND IF I GO TO PREPARE A PLACE FOR YOU, I WILL COME AGAIN, AND RECEIVE YOU UNTO MYSELF: THAT WHERE I AM, THERE YE MAY BE ALSO.

1115<sup>th</sup> Transportation Company







**Force Protection**

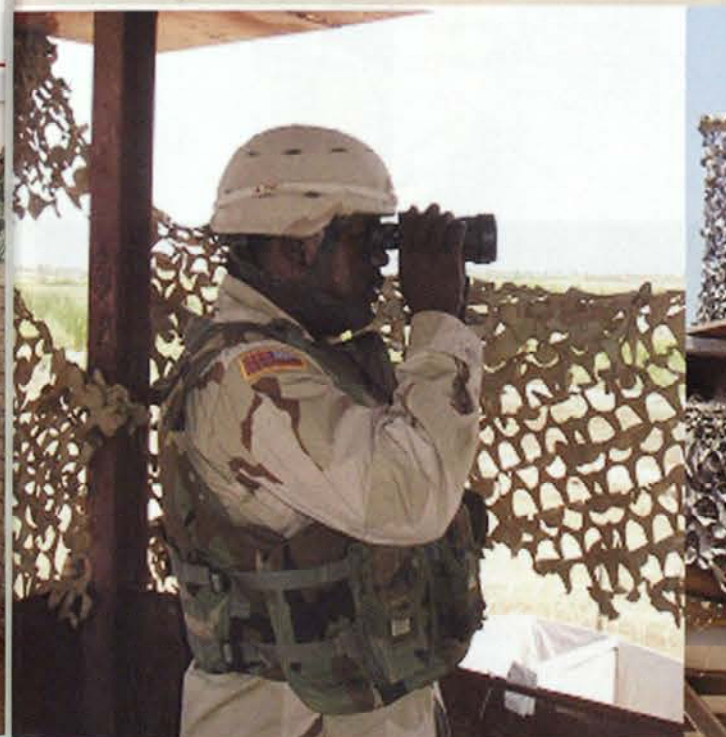
Force Protection is an essential "must have" in any war. Once our perimeter was established it was heavily guarded around the clock. The 1115<sup>th</sup> TRANS Co. manned the battalion's assigned sector of guard towers. Inside our perimeter, however, reinforcements were in place to extend our protection. Bunkers and concrete barrier walls were placed along pathways and next to all living and working areas. The bunkers provided protection for troops during mortar and rocket attacks. The concrete barriers and sand bags help to contain the shrapnel from explosions.

CPT Byron Galloway; Battalion Logistics Officer explained, "Our force protection was a continuous process and we worked hard to improve it as we saw fit. The main areas of concern were the living and work areas. Once the work was completed the soldiers were comforted knowing they were protected while in those areas."

SFC Mark Todd said, "From what I saw on television, and stories that I heard about other FOBs being attacked, we had the best force protection in theatre."

"I wasn't sure how the force protection was when I first got there but I do know that there were less mortars coming in or at least less frequent" said SPC Valerie Brown, the Admin Clerk for HHC.

(As of August 2004) "We didn't have any close mortar attacks since April 24th and the stress decreased enough to where it didn't affect the troops as bad." Said LTC Allen P. Hargis, Support Battalion's Commander.



## LIFE IN TAJI

By CPT Wendell Taylor

Times in Iraq during OIF II may not have appeared to be the best, but for soldiers stationed at Camp Cooke, living conditions were nothing to complain about. Fact is the tour of duty had some of the best accommodations for ground soldiers ever experienced in a combat zone.

Like equipment and technology, the soldier living conditions definitely improved since Operation Desert Storm for the better. Aside from the threat, the heat and dusty conditions, troops had much to be thankful for in Camp Cooke compared to the way things could have been.

As SFC Kim Brewer of HHC Support OPS explained, "Compared to my first deployment (Desert Storm and Desert Shield) we had it really good. I only called home during the first deployment 3 times in 6 months. No internet or PX. I ate MREs (Meals Ready to Eat) 3 times a day for months. I lived in a GP- medium (tent) with 8 other female soldiers and slept on a cot. I had only one real shower in six months and I did my own laundry out of a big blue bucket that also doubled as a bathtub when we had extra water."

(Right) SSG Vanlandingham welcomes the first rain of the season.

SFC Mark Todd of Alpha Company said, "Conditions at first included long lines at the dining facilities (DFAC) and all the MWR facilities. The junk and trash was unbelievable, but the contracted cleanups and PX additions made it much better."

In an effort to enhance the soldier comfort and protection levels, a lot of construction was taking place to improve Camp Cooke. This made the temporary stay there tolerable for present and future occupants.



**Tools and Equipment for the Mission**

Most units deployed with the equipment they trained with for years and may not have been replaced for a long time had it not been for this deployment. None of our vehicles were up armored prior to our arrival. They each had to be modified with approved safety windshields, steel plated doors, floors and gunner shields all constructed and mounted by our own soldiers in Bravo Company. Radios were installed in more vehicles along with Blue Force Tracking Systems.



CPT Galloway said, "We were probably using over 90% of the equipment that we trained with for years, but due to advancements in technology, we acquired a lot of additional equipment which required more training. Equipment such as Blue Force Trackers (for tracking convoys), TOC systems, and additional computers were just a few items we received."

1LT Peter Romero of 1115<sup>th</sup> Trans. said, "we have used very little of our equipment. Our primary mission has been force protection (guarding the towers) and we have had to acquire different equipment like binoculars and thermal imagers."

"Most of the equipment we used during drills proved its effectiveness but once we arrived in theatre all the training had taken its toll on the equipment so it had to be replaced and the old was used for parts." says SGT Timothy Smith an electronics repairer.



Soldiers entering into theatre received personal protective equipment and comfort items, everything from weapons and boots to Wiley X sunglasses and spandex underwear. Still some units needed additional equipment to successfully complete their missions.

Colonel Jim Orsini, the Brigade's Dental Officer from C-Med, explained, "The Dental Section arrived at Camp Cooke with about 20% of the necessary equipment in working order or present at all. We had been there five months and were at approximately 85%. Our success rate was not a result of help from our supporting elements."



### Living and Sleeping Area

A big plus for morale and comfort is the living areas. Each Support Battalion soldier at Camp Cooke lived in an air conditioned trailer with concrete overhead cover.

"Living in trailers with air conditioning made the tour much easier to handle. I believe the heat and dirt would have been a miserable experience in a tent," says Col. Orsini.

SPC Valerie Brown said, "The living conditions were good; we could have been living in tents. We did have the necessities to get by such as air conditioners in the rooms; later we got cable and internet in each room. We also had refrigerators, microwaves and television, just about all the comforts of home."

The concrete cover served not only as protection from possible mortar attacks, but it also blocked the direct radiant heat from the sun which reached temperatures of 140 degrees or more during the day.



There was plenty of gravel on all parking lots, walking areas, and roadsides before the wet season. Once the wet season arrived the rain mixed with all the sand and dirt (which was everywhere) and made one big sloppy mess with all the vehicle and troop traffic during the day.



There were two and three room trailers and each came with individual wall closets, twin beds with mattresses and two cushioned chairs. The rooms are about the size of an average bedroom in America (11X14). SFC Todd explained, "It added a more relaxed and personal setting to enjoy during soldiers down time. It also reduced the possibility of short tempers coming into play, because you didn't have to work with 20 people all day and then share living space with 20 people at night."

Some other living comforts included flushing toilets and shower trailers with individual stalls and sinks with hot water. Temporarily we used individual diesel generators to power everything, but later power lines were run from a power plant constructed on the other side of camp. This made it much quieter around the living areas, which was best noticed at night time. There were no water mains in service. Water was shuttled in daily to fill the water tanks that supply the showers and toilet facilities located at each end of the trailer PODs. The shower trailers' water supply, at first, was non-potable (not fit for consumption as the signs indicated). The dining facility (DFAC) however was potable. The DFAC was rebuilt in November with a sports bar look and feel. At mealtimes it could easily be filled to capacity with long lines of troops waiting to be served.

"I liked that the DFAC was always open with a 24 hour sandwich bar," said 1LT Romero.



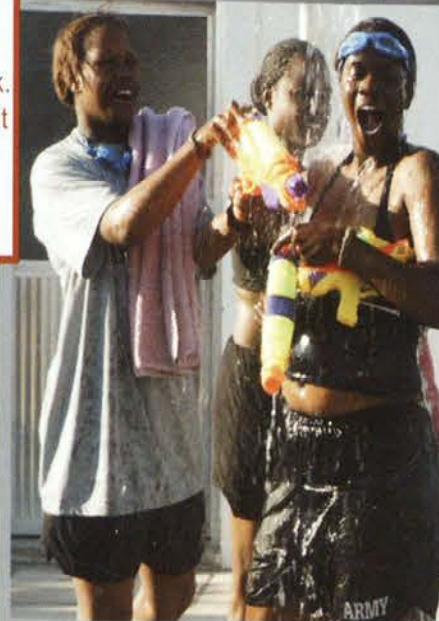
Soldiers made the best of the free time afforded to them. Work hours were unpredictable. Some were long and extended and some were just long. With a constant threat of incoming enemy fire, IEDs and VIEDs no two days were the same. Schedules and missions changed daily and sometimes hourly depending on the threat levels and units were forced to make the adjustments. The constant changes and uncertainties caused some operations to appear unorganized, or what is known by soldiers as a "cluster f#!", but the leadership always maintained control knowing that the changes were made as safety precautions and could save soldier's lives.

### Recreational Facilities and Activities

All work and no play could make for quick burnout, especially when you're on orders from six months to a year. Troops took advantage of what was available in Camp Cooke to help prevent that problem.

"Very convenient! Soldiers should consider themselves lucky and be very proud of the MWR facilities that were provided to Camp Cooke soldiers," explained SFC Todd when asked about the accommodations on post. As always, there were religious services, counseling and activities available throughout the week for troops.

The internet cafes and recreation rooms were available around the clock. Laundry service, post office and transit shuttle buses were also available.



"I didn't visit the internet much, but it did help that you could talk to friends and loved ones as often as you like. When we got a café in our POD it made it a lot easier than standing in line for hours to go on-line for thirty minutes. The laundry service was alright. It would have helped if they used bleach on white clothes but since you weren't doing it yourself I guess it worked out fine along with the fact that it was free. The PX was very good. As an African American female I can find some personal hair care items that I need such as perms, moisturizers, shampoo and conditioners." explained Valerie Brown.



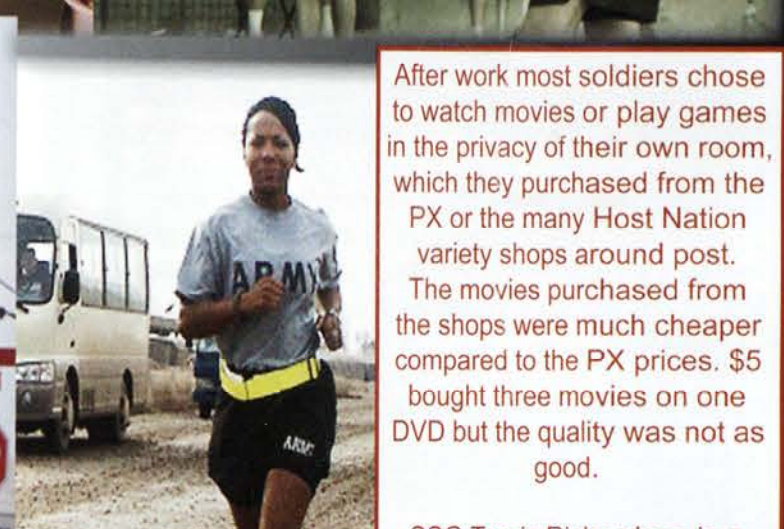
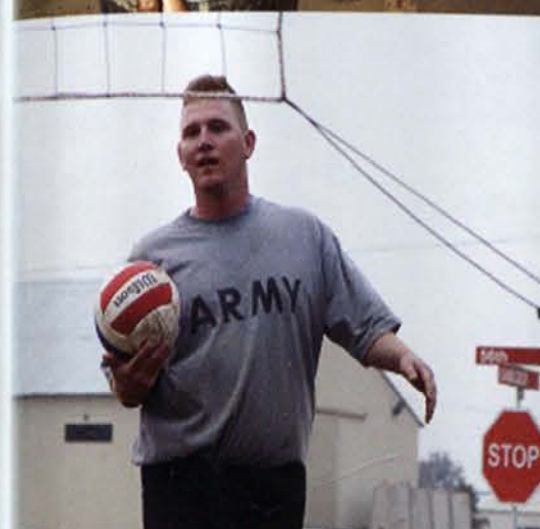
SFC Brewer said, "Things looked much cleaner and the new PX was the largest in theatre. The swimming pool was a great place to go and just relax."



The community swimming pool was available to soldiers everyday from 1400-2000. The main PX was open 24 hours each day. The food court, which included a Burger King, Subway and Pizza Hut, were opened on Thanksgiving Day from 0900-2300. The food court helped to reduce the long lines at the DFACs. It also gave the troops a taste of American culture.

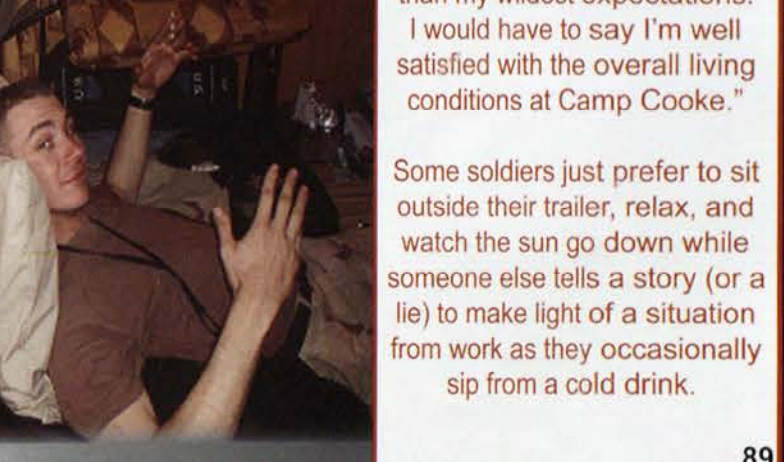


Each weekend, in the dining facility, soldiers showcased their talents during "Open Mic Night" sponsored by MWR. Most sat back and enjoyed the loads of singing and live music presented by other troops throughout the division. Troops could shake their "groove thing" at the MWR dances held at the post theatre each weekend. There was also an occasional concert of civilian artist, some well known, and some not so well known. The three Gymsnasiums were loaded with state of art equipment which included indoor and outdoor basketball courts. Occasionally there was a tournament of some kind, like basketball, spades, weight lifting or pool. And of course there's a post movie theatre.



After work most soldiers chose to watch movies or play games in the privacy of their own room, which they purchased from the PX or the many Host Nation variety shops around post. The movies purchased from the shops were much cheaper compared to the PX prices. \$5 bought three movies on one DVD but the quality was not as good.

SSG Travis Richardson is a personnel admin NCO. He said, "I enjoyed visiting with my son (CPT Gib Richardson of co. A), reading, swimming, listening to country music, watching movies, and writing letters to friends and loved ones back home. I was happy to see us have a softball league and the internet connection in our rooms completed. This was much better than my wildest expectations. I would have to say I'm well satisfied with the overall living conditions at Camp Cooke."



Some soldiers just prefer to sit outside their trailer, relax, and watch the sun go down while someone else tells a story (or a lie) to make light of a situation from work as they occasionally sip from a cold drink.

### Future out look for Camp Cooke (Camp Taji)

The future for Camp Cooke looks great. Roads and parking have been built and paved to include 500 + miles of highway to Kuwait.

Host Nation contractors and workers were hauled in by the truck loads ready to work. This was one of the ways money is filtered back into their economy. Buildings that were constructed and remodeled for offices allowed incoming units to be operational faster with more stable facilities. The photo centers, gift shops, alteration shops, barber and beauty shops, all in the food court, makes the stay in Camp Cooke much easier for troops. The huge PX carried everything soldiers need while away from home. An Apartment building was being renovated to house visiting dignitaries.

Support Battalion staff offices had their share of moving from place to place. We moved into our newly renovated buildings a few months before leaving Iraq. The construction was done by local contractors but the wiring was completed by our own S6 Commo section

C-Med also moved into a newly renovated clinic which allowed for more treatment area and access to the Med-Flight helipad only yards away. The living conditions at Camp Cooke will continue to improve as long as American troops are serving there.

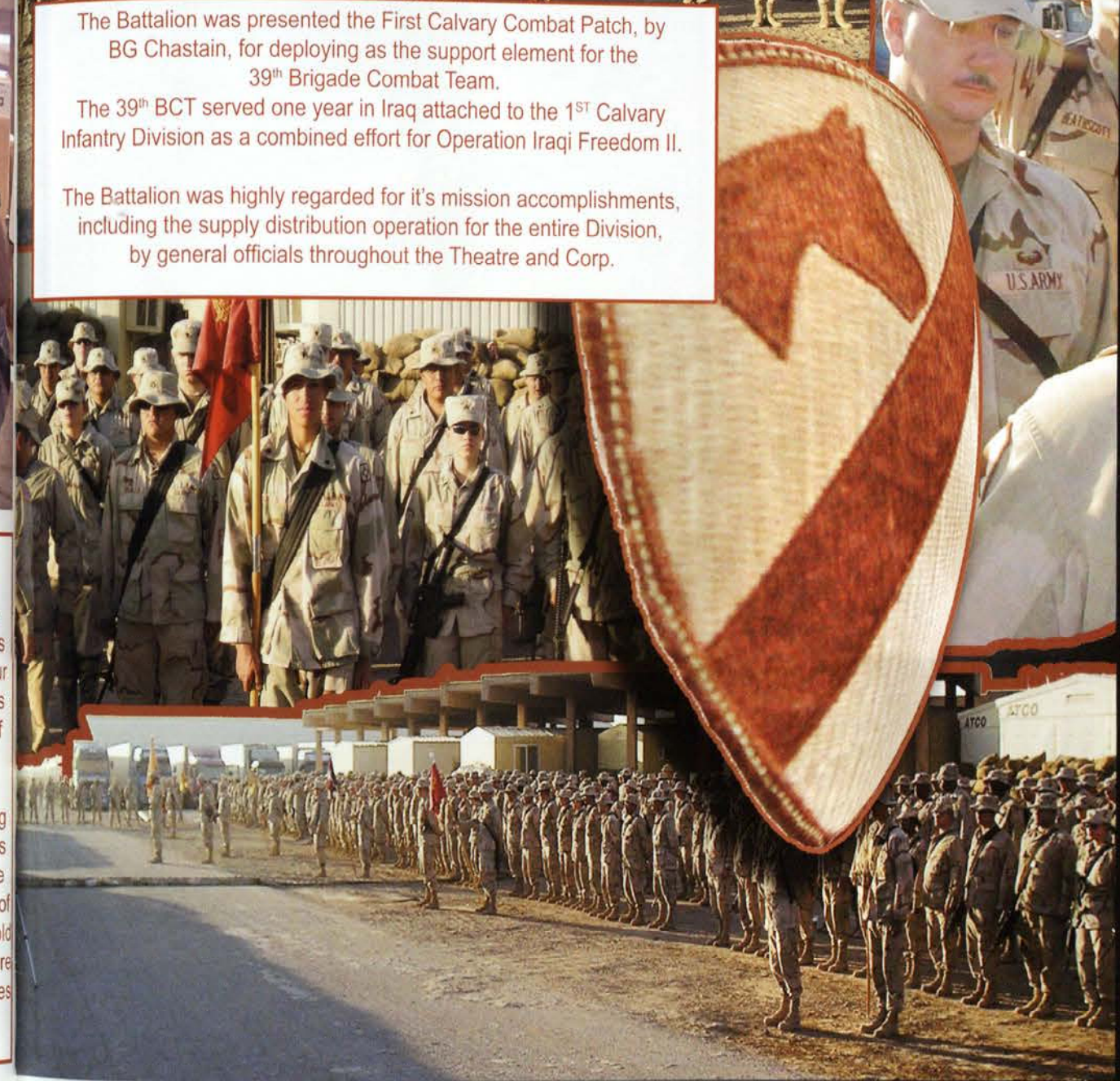


The road during this tour was long and tough for the 39<sup>th</sup>, and our time there was definitely educational a well as enlightening. While serving our nation during OIF II much was accomplished at the hands of soldiers from the 39<sup>th</sup>.

There's no doubt that the living accommodations and comforts at Camp Cooke had a positive effect on morale and attitudes of troops stationed there. As the old saying goes "when you take care of your soldier, your soldier takes care of you."

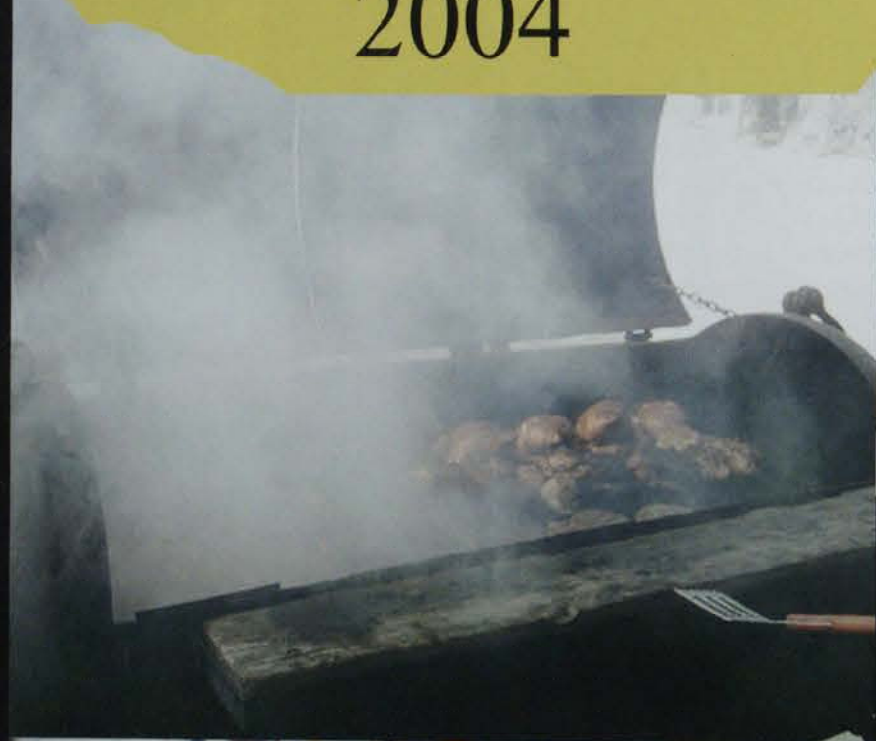


The Battalion was presented the First Cavalry Combat Patch, by BG Chastain, for deploying as the support element for the 39<sup>th</sup> Brigade Combat Team. The 39<sup>th</sup> BCT served one year in Iraq attached to the 1<sup>st</sup> Cavalry Infantry Division as a combined effort for Operation Iraqi Freedom II. The Battalion was highly regarded for it's mission accomplishments, including the supply distribution operation for the entire Division, by general officials throughout the Theatre and Corp.



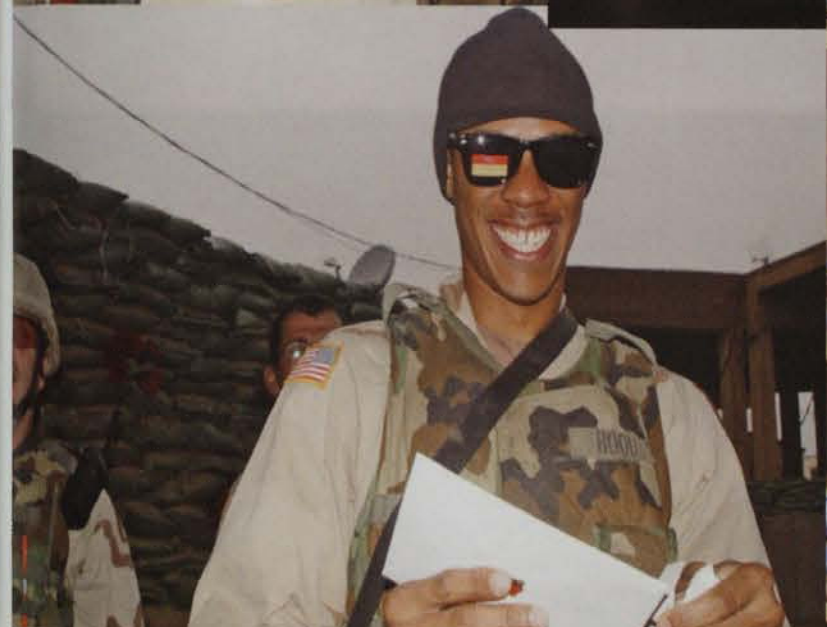


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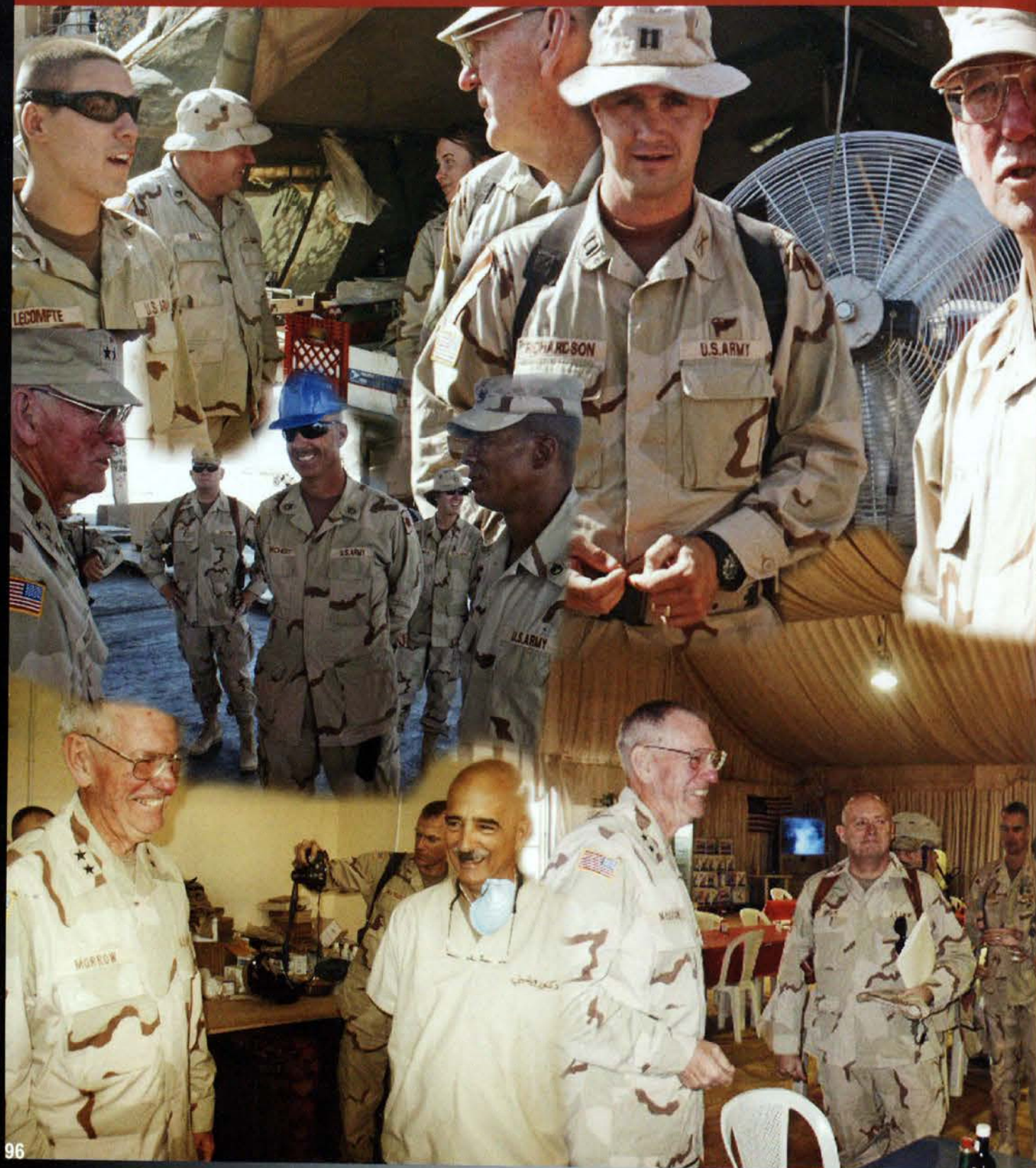


# Christmas in Iraq 2004





# Generals' visits to Camp Taji, Iraq



## CHAIN OF COMMAND AND VISITING OFFICIALS

The SPT BN received many visits from higher officials and celebrities at Camp Taji who expressed their support and recognition for the outstanding performance of the National Guard Unit from Arkansas.

(Left)  
Support Battalion Commander, LTC Allen Hargis exchange coins with  
1CAV Division Commander, MG Peter Chiarelli following a staff visit.

(Right)  
The 39<sup>TH</sup> Brigade Combat Team Commander, BG Ronald Chastain was co-located in the SPT BN living area while in Camp Taji.

(Bottom)  
The 1CAV Deputy Division Commander for Support, BG Jeffery Hammond often visited the support areas of operation.



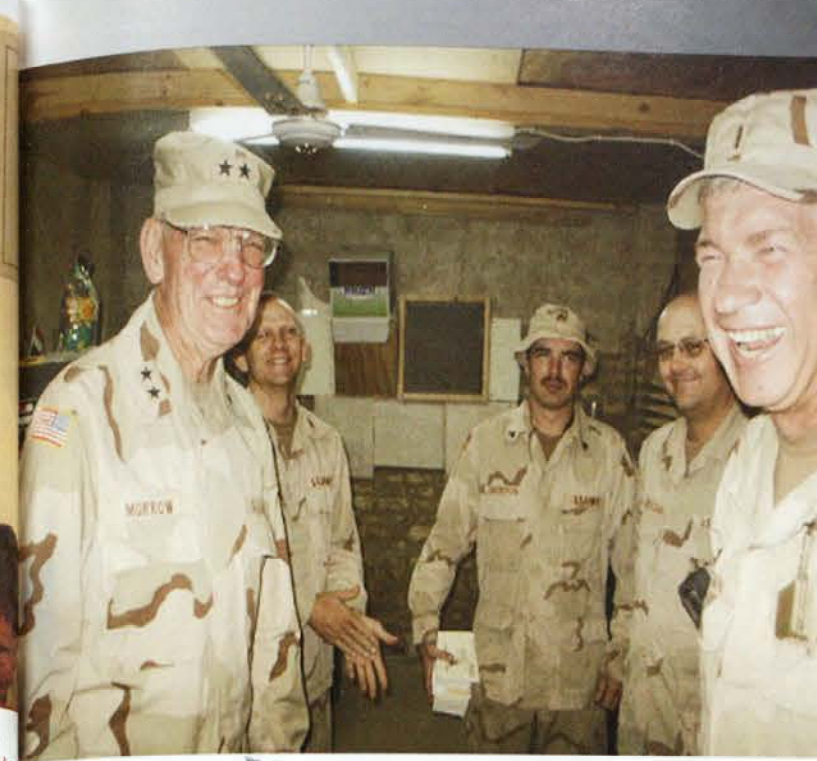


The New Mexico Adjutant General, Brigadier General Kenneth Montoya, received a warm welcome from soldiers of 642nd MTC and 1115<sup>th</sup> TRANS during the Christmas Holidays.

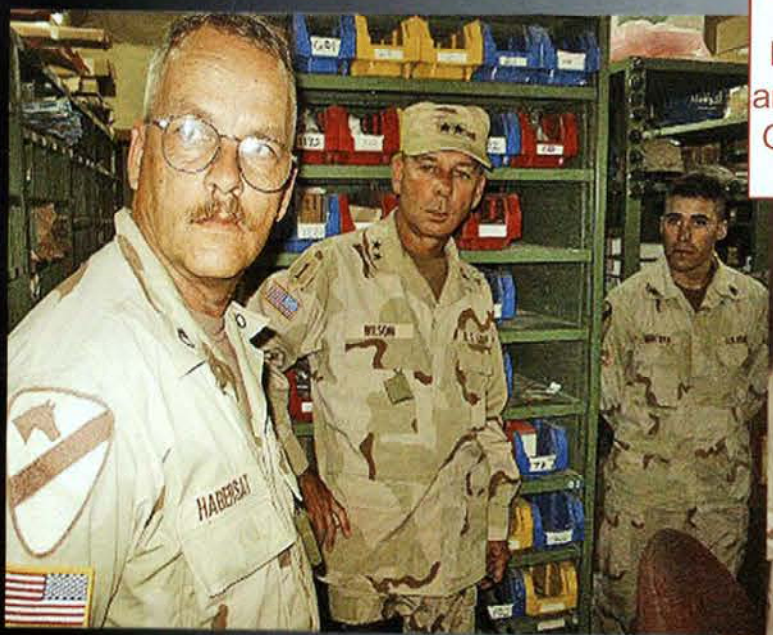


Chief of The National Guard Bureau, Lieutenant General H. Steven Blum, accompanied by CSM Leonard and Sergeant Major Conti.





The Adjutant General of Arkansas, Major General Don Morrow, was a welcomed sight for troops of the 39<sup>th</sup> Brigade Combat Team. Accompanied by the State Command Sergeant Major, Debbie Collins, the General visited with soldiers and was given a tour of all company operations throughout Camp Taji. Some soldiers were presented with a coin for their contributions toward the success of their section's operation.



7<sup>TH</sup> INFANTRY DIVISION COMMANDER, MAJOR GENERAL ROBERT WILSON, made an official visit to Taji in September of 2004. The General was clear on how proud he was of the 39<sup>th</sup> BCT.





Billy Blanks, the inventor of "Tae Bo" and most recognizable fitness trainer in the world, and co-trainer Kelly Blanks Cimarosti, made an official visit to Taji as part of their "Spirit & Body" Tour.

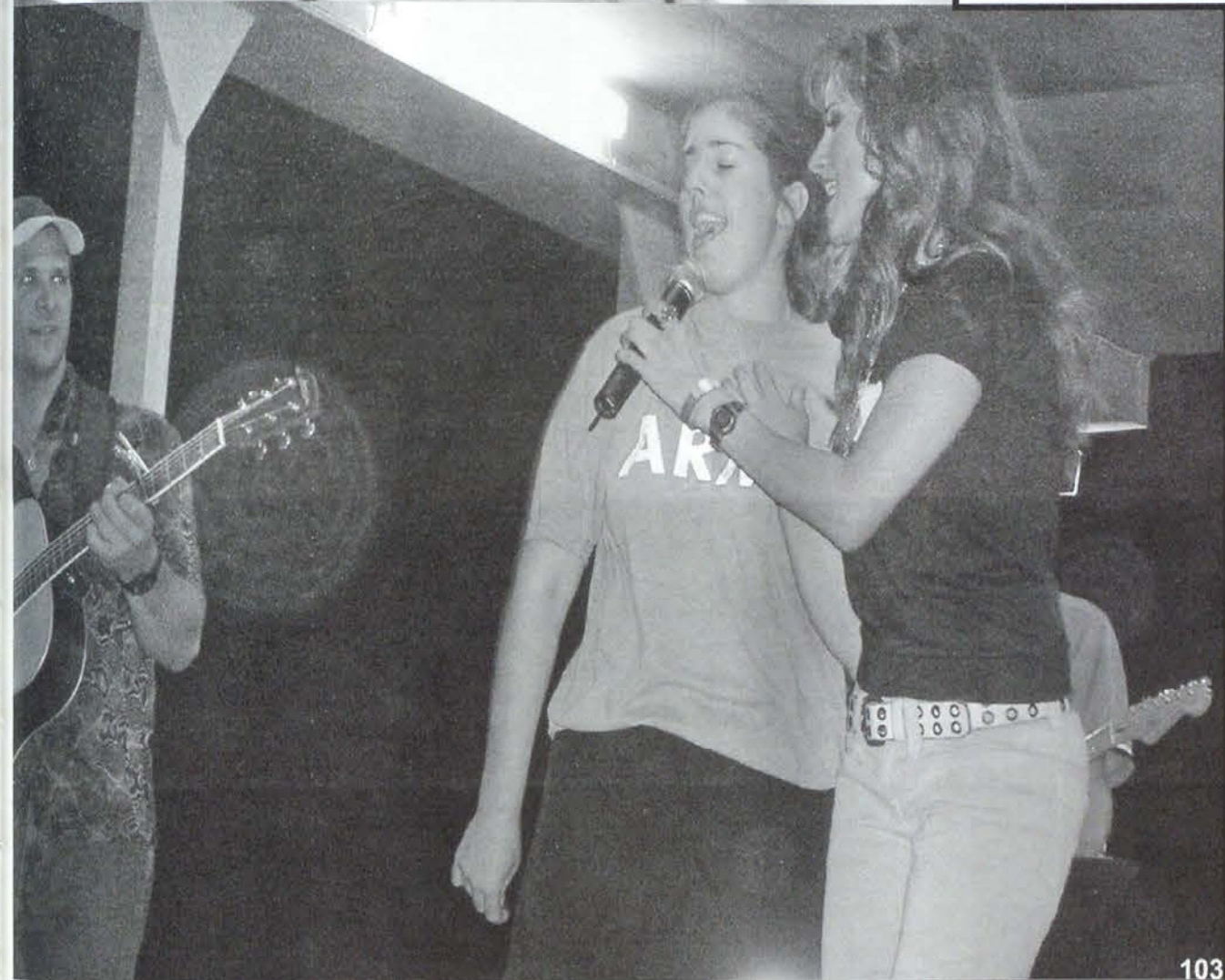
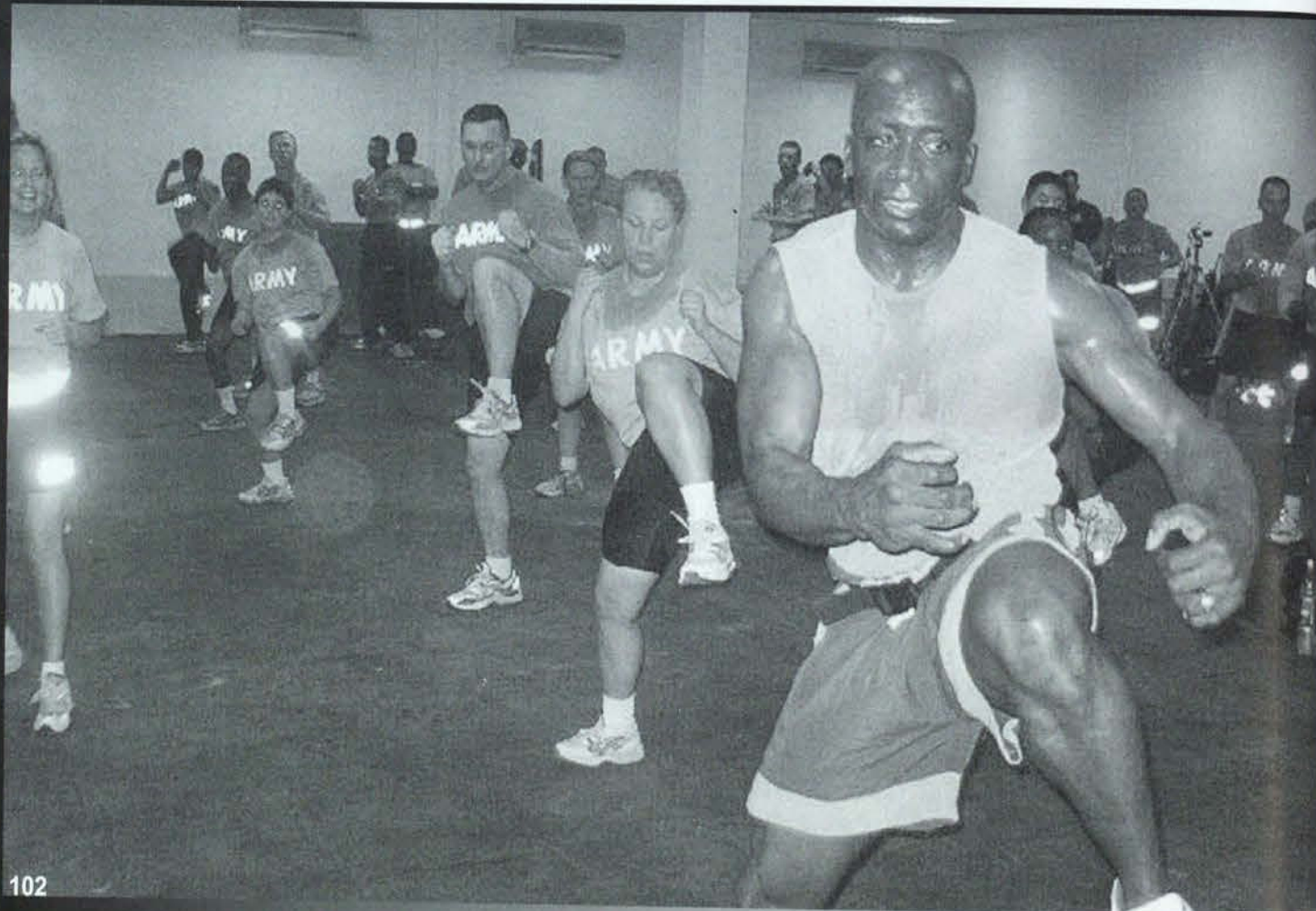
Blanks signed autographs and posed for photos with troops for hours. Afterwards soldiers were treated to a free session of the Tae Bo Fitness System led by the fitness guru himself.

The two were presented with tokens of appreciation by Brigadier General Chastain before the killer training session began.



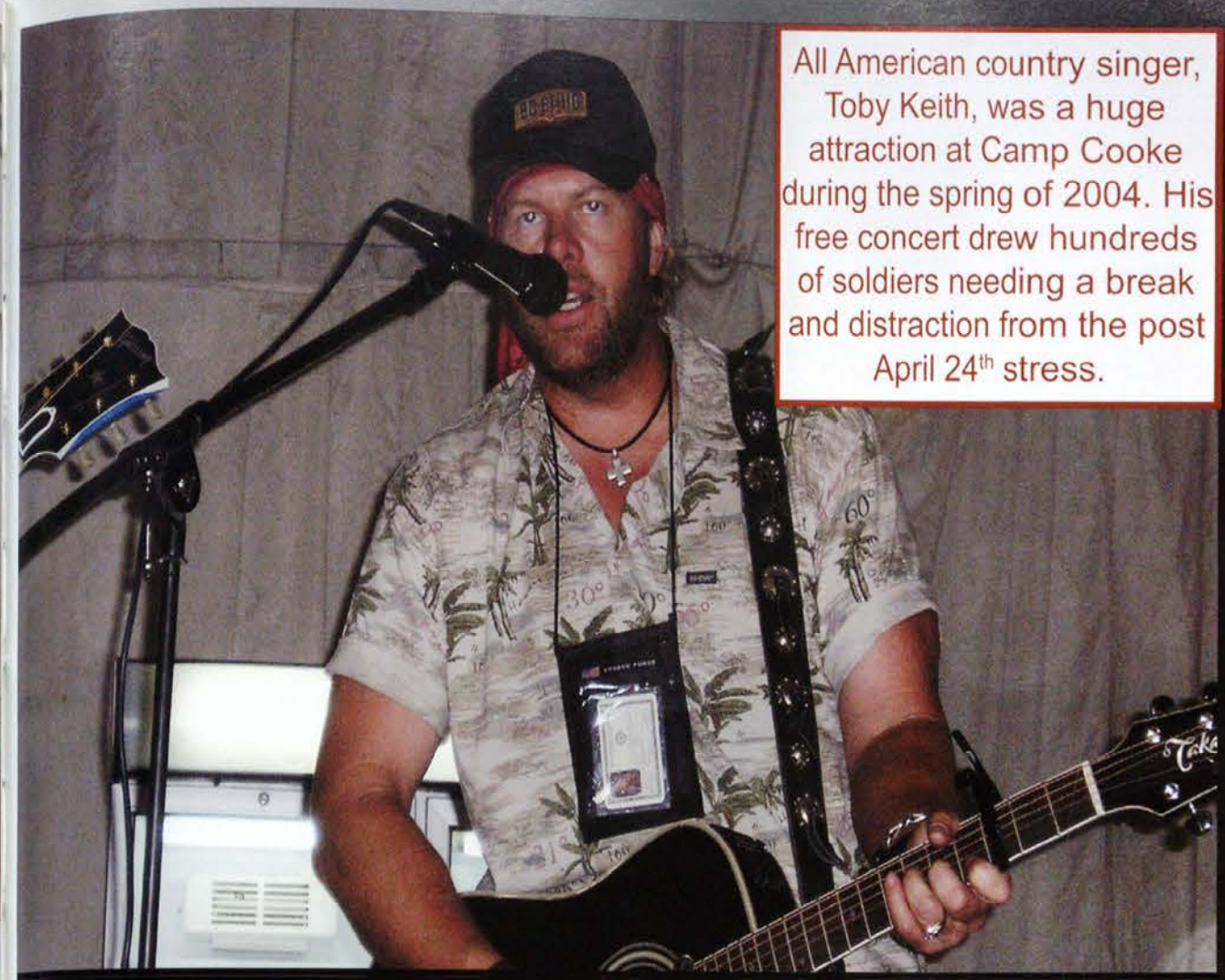
(Right) Country music singer Chely Wright excites a large audience of GIs at the Warrior Pad concert stage.

(Below) Wright gets the crowd involved and allowed troops to join her on stage and showcase their own hidden talents.





"Joe Millionaire" was featured along with the "Ambassadors of Hollywood" for a day of photos and autographs.  
 (Below)  
 SSG Dana Padgett, SGT Kent Weddle and SFC Gary Longnecker posed with WWF Superstars W Rob Dibble and "Diamond" Dallas Page.



All American country singer, Toby Keith, was a huge attraction at Camp Cooke during the spring of 2004. His free concert drew hundreds of soldiers needing a break and distraction from the post April 24<sup>th</sup> stress.





## THE 39TH SUPPORT BATTALION COMMAND AND STAFF

Front (From L to R) – CPT Brad Massey, 1LT Jihno Cho,  
MAJ Shannon Stone, SGT Lemoore Roth,  
CPT Byron Galloway

Back (L to R) – CPT Wendell Taylor, SGT John Wheeler,  
CSM Larry Doyle, LTC Allen Hargis, MAJ Robert McGill,  
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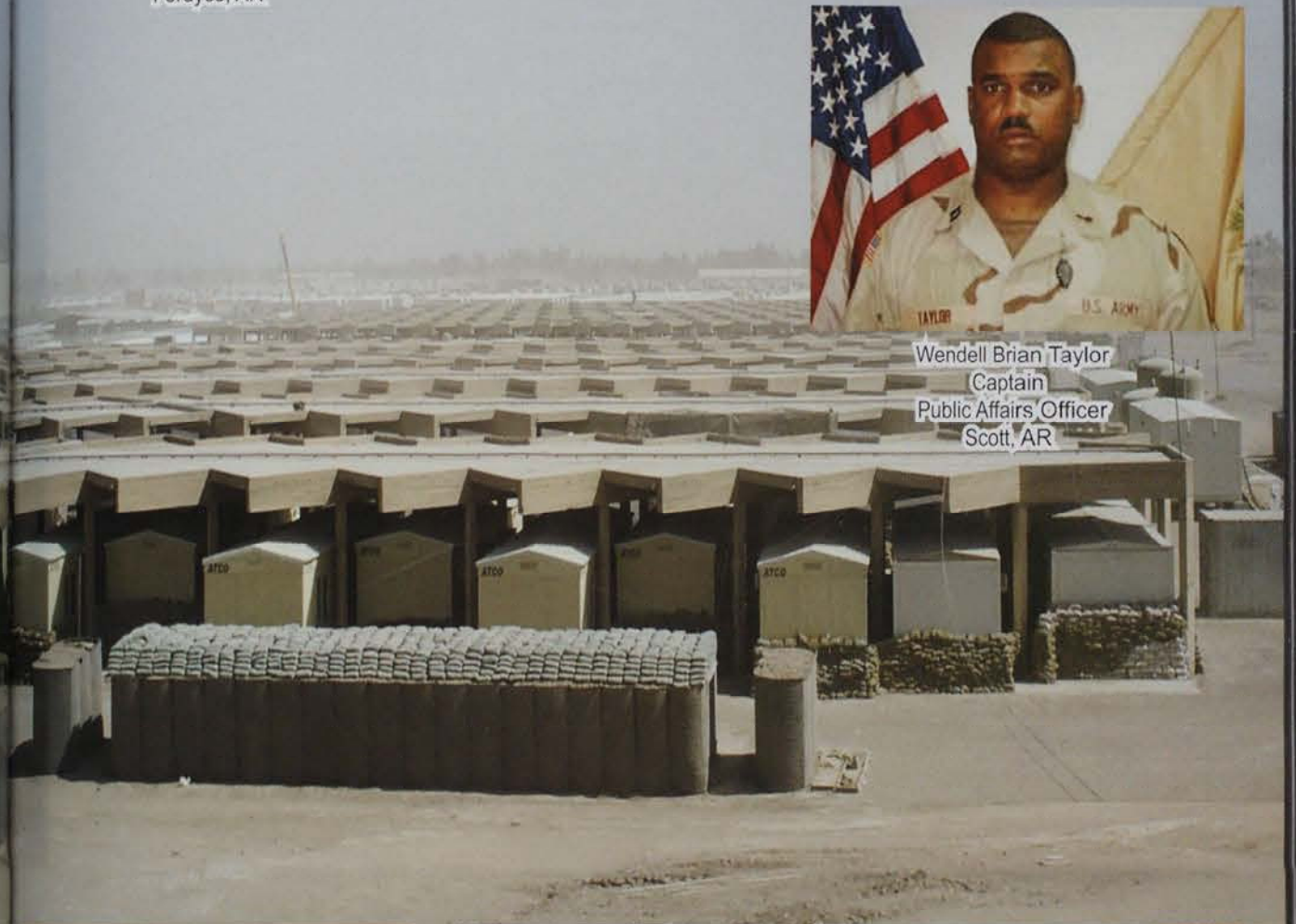
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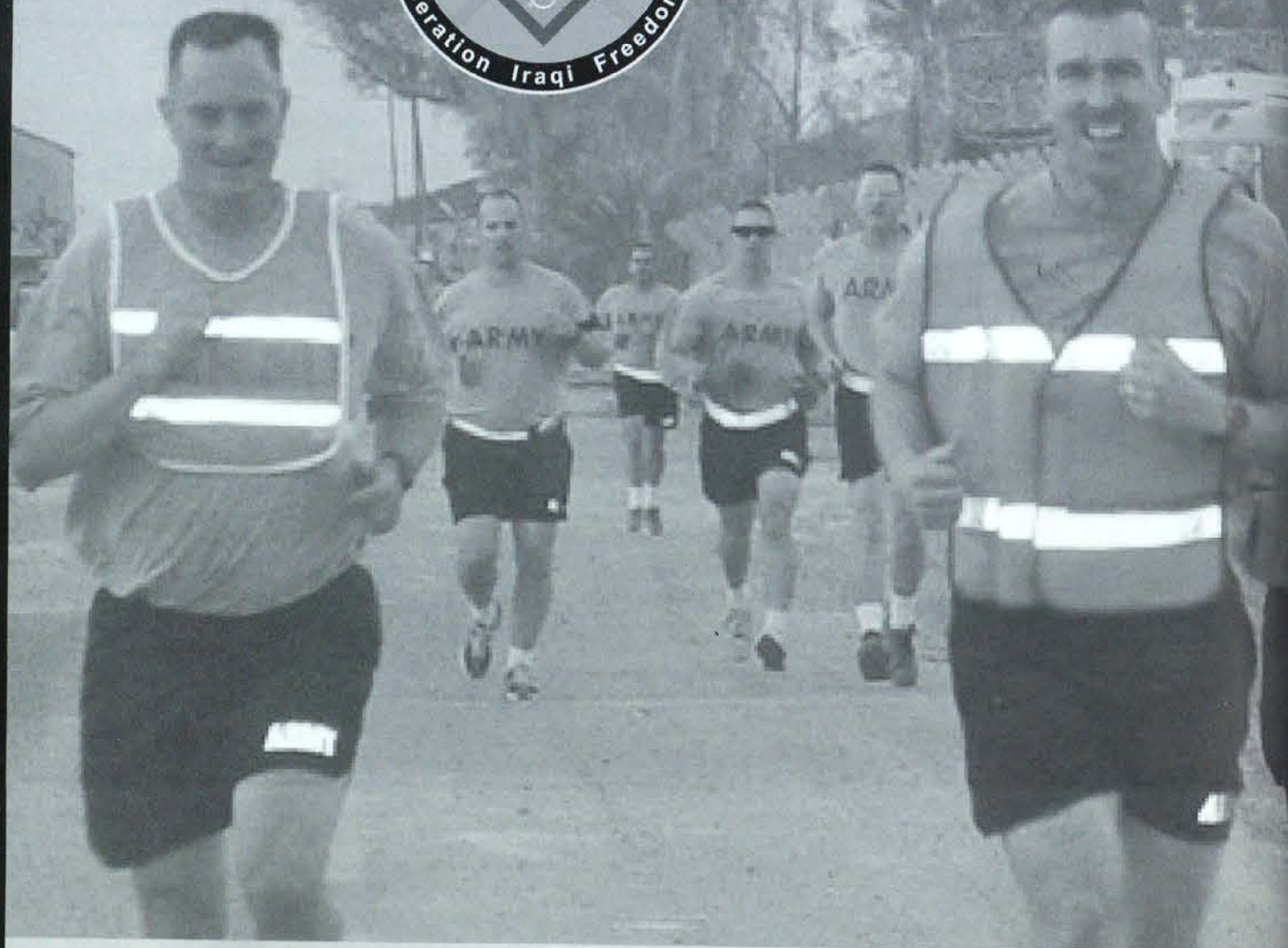
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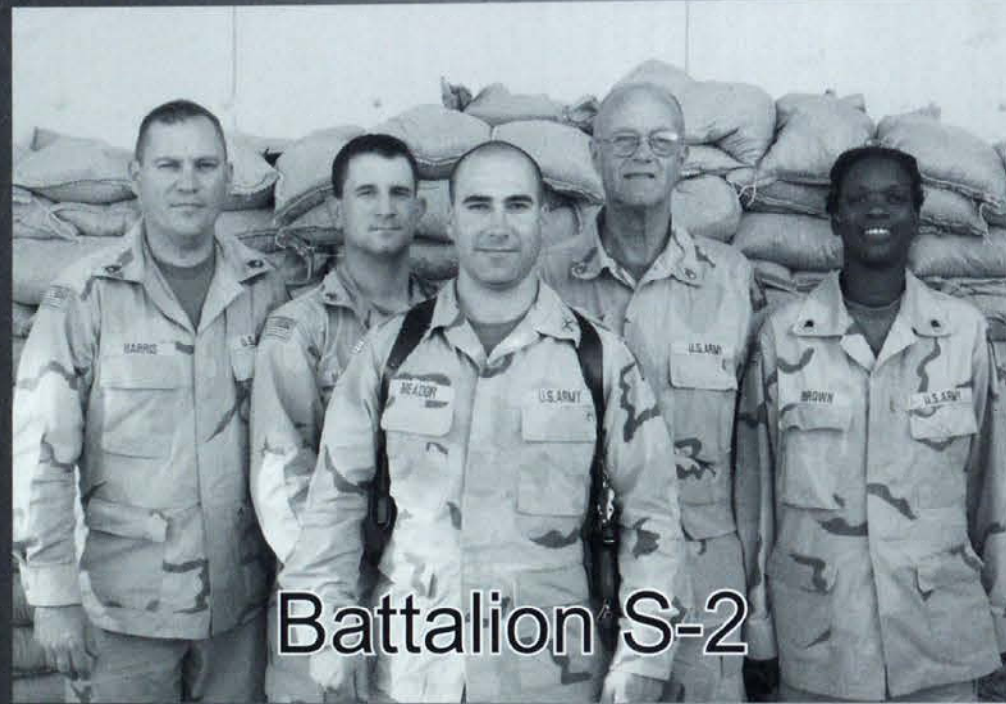




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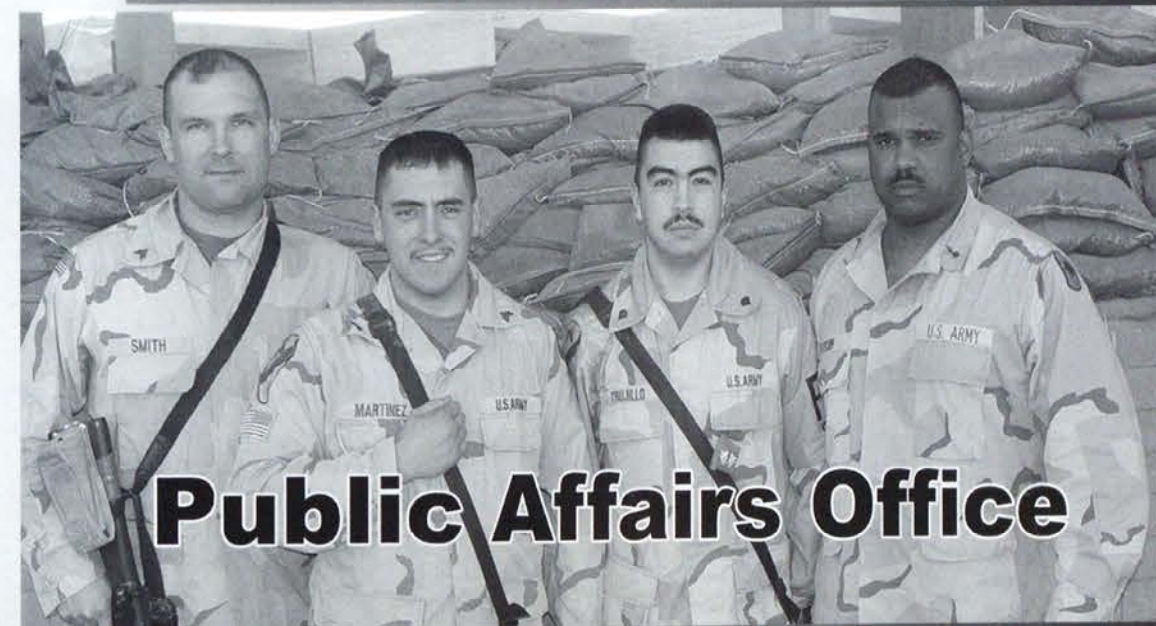
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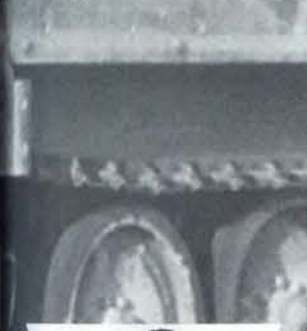
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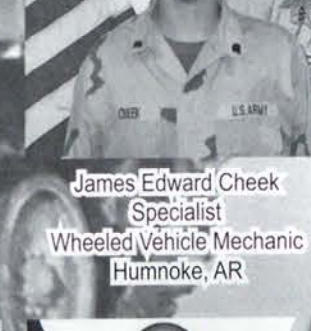
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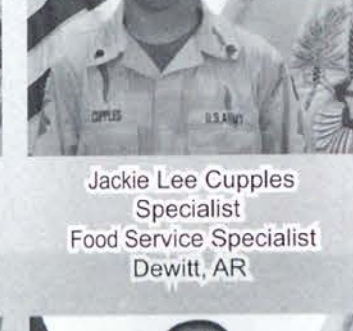
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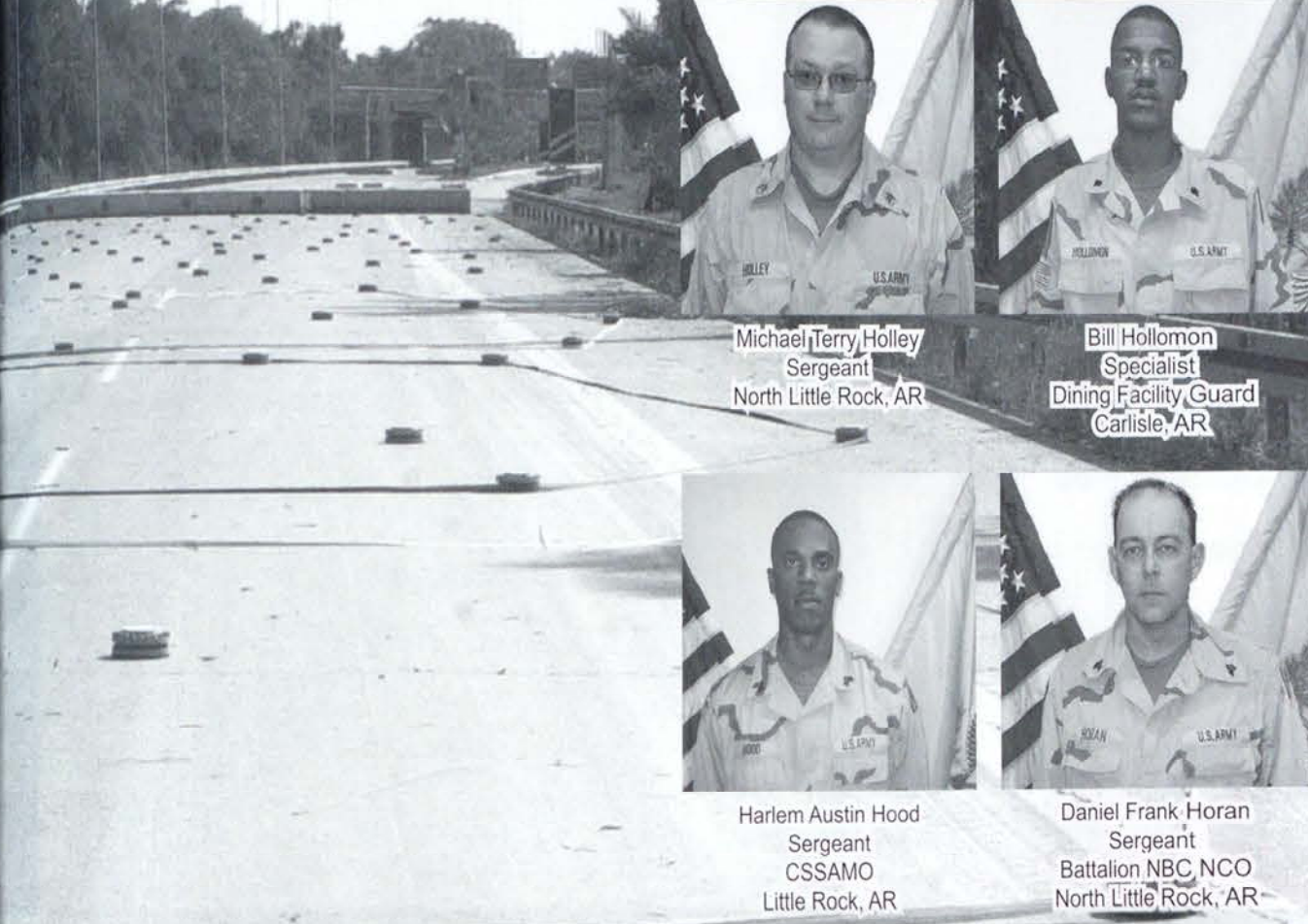
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**Clark Dana Padgett**  
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Ethel, AR



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Salem, AR



**Roy Michael Sharp**  
Sergeant First Class  
NCOIC Class II & IV Yard  
Gravel Ridge, AR

# Headquarters Company Soldiers



**Jerry Lewis Pledger**  
Chief Warrant Officer 4  
Ammunition Technician



**Walter Eugene Powell**  
Sergeant First Class  
Food Service



**Joshane E. Ramsey**  
Captain  
Transportation and Fuel Off.  
Cabot, AR



**Floyd T. Richardson**  
Staff Sergeant  
Personnel Admin Clerk



**James Franklin Ridings**  
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BN Logistics NCO



**Leland L. Robinson**  
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Communications Specialist  
Desarc, AR



**Latoya Evol Rolfe**  
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Automated Logistics Spec.  
Forrest City, AR



**Stanley Russell**  
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Automated Logistics Spec.  
Carlisle, AR



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Supply Accounting NCO  
Monticello, AR



**Kenneth F. Slach**  
Staff Sergeant  
Company Supply Sergeant  
Hartman, AR



**Timothy Eric Smith**  
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Property Book Office NCO  
North Little Rock, AR

# Headquarters Company Soldiers



Keith Randall Smith  
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Senior Mechanic  
Searcy, AR



Timothy Allen Smith  
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Webmaster, PAO  
Vilonia, AR



Donald Everett Stane  
Master Sergeant  
DDC NCOIC  
Conway, AR



Nicole S. Thompson  
Specialist  
Food Service  
Oakland, CA



John C. Trieschmann  
Sergeant First Class  
Senior Commo Repairman  
Bismark, AR



Fallon Nicole Tsui  
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Food Service  
Lonoke, AR



Paul Vanlandingham  
Staff Sergeant  
Communication Specialist  
Pine Bluff, AR



Jefferey Vinson  
Sergeant  
Battalion Supply Sergeant  
Wheatley, AR



Jeremy Wadkins Len  
Specialist  
Mechanic



Kent Christopher Weddle  
Sergeant  
Transportation Section  
Hazen, AR



Heath Alan Welch  
Chief Warrant Officer 2  
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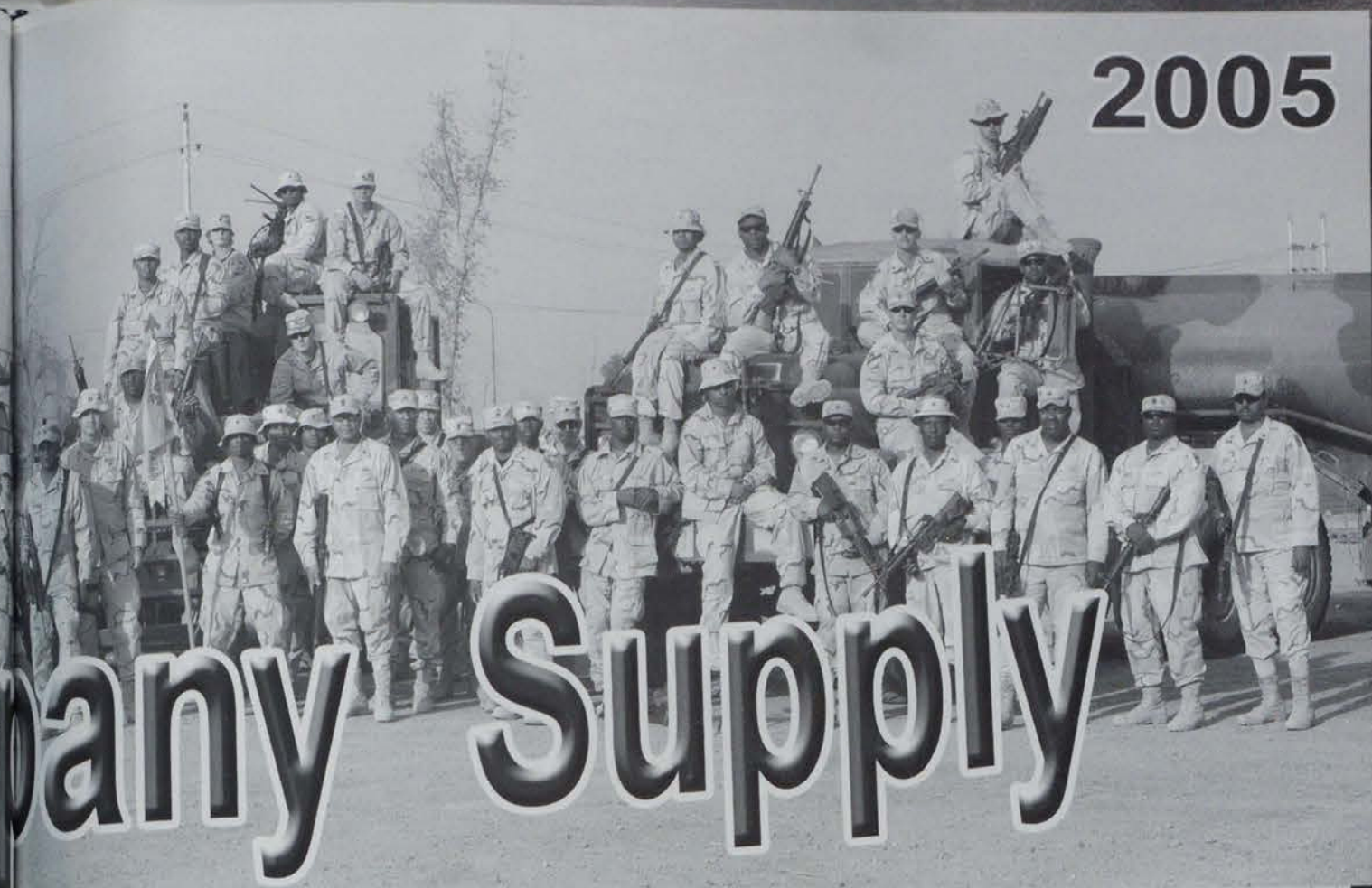
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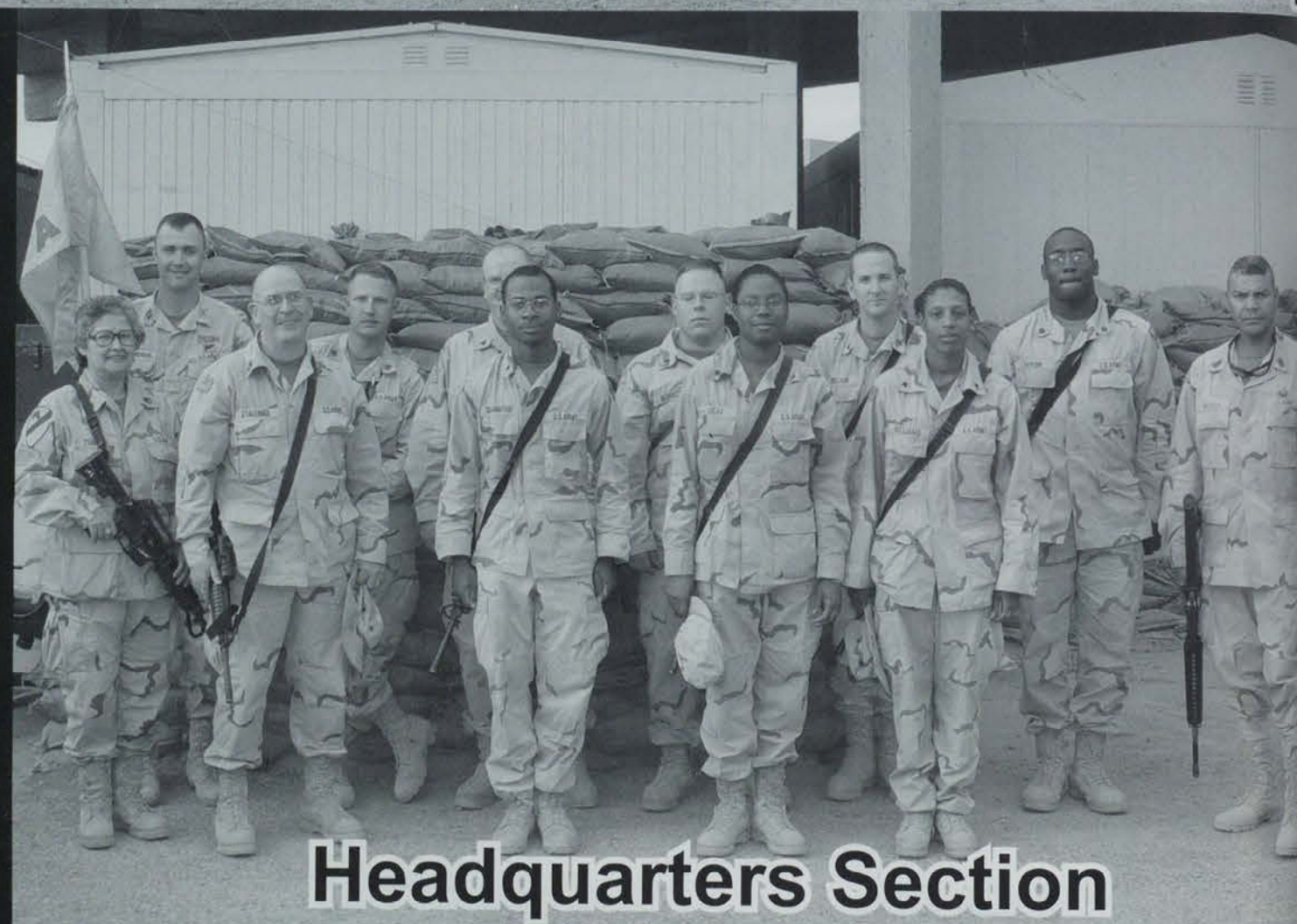
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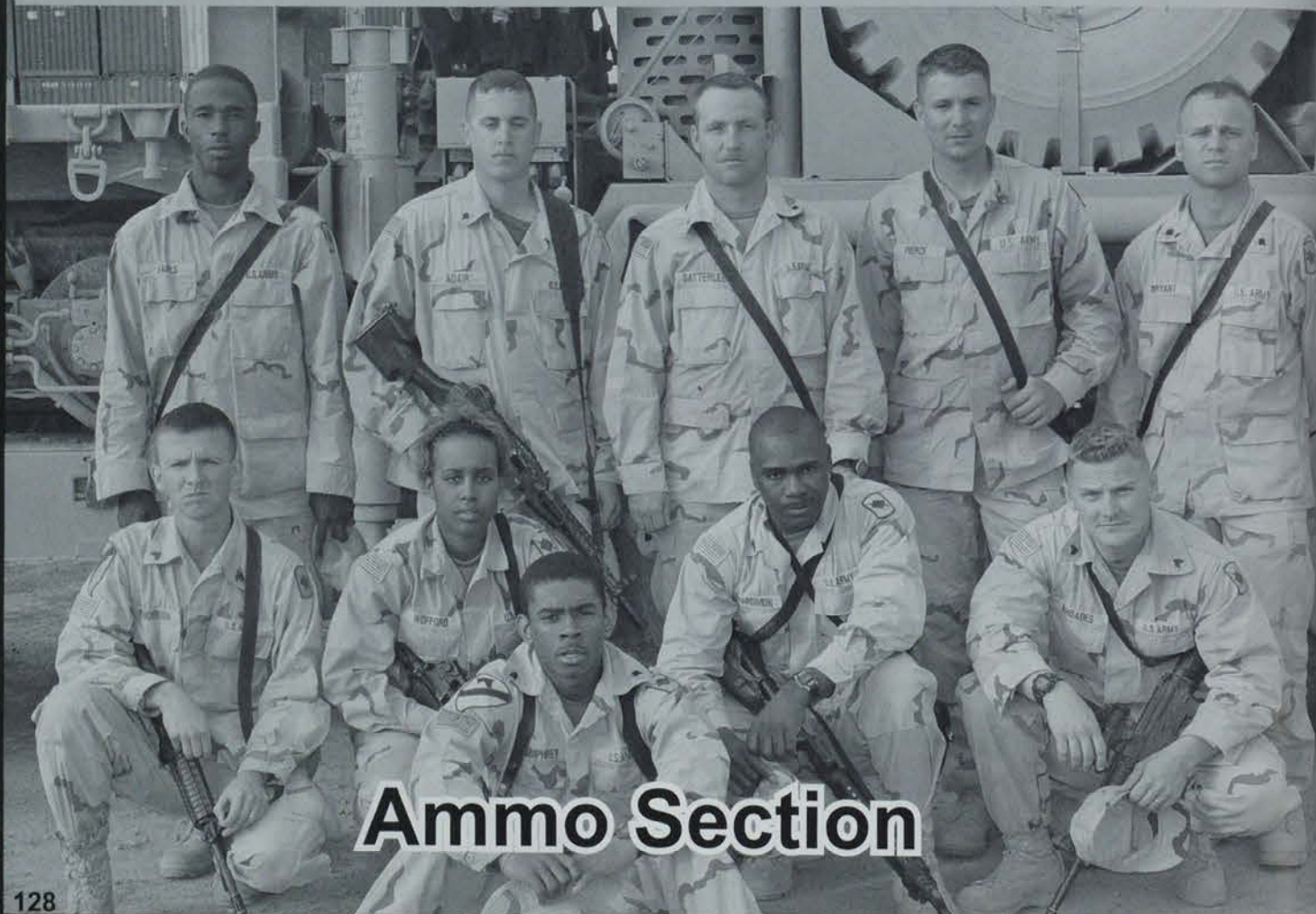


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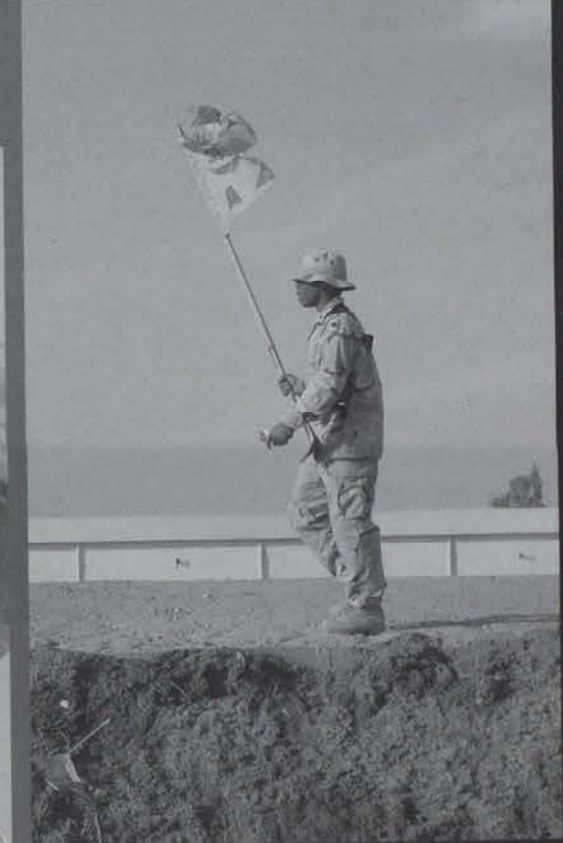
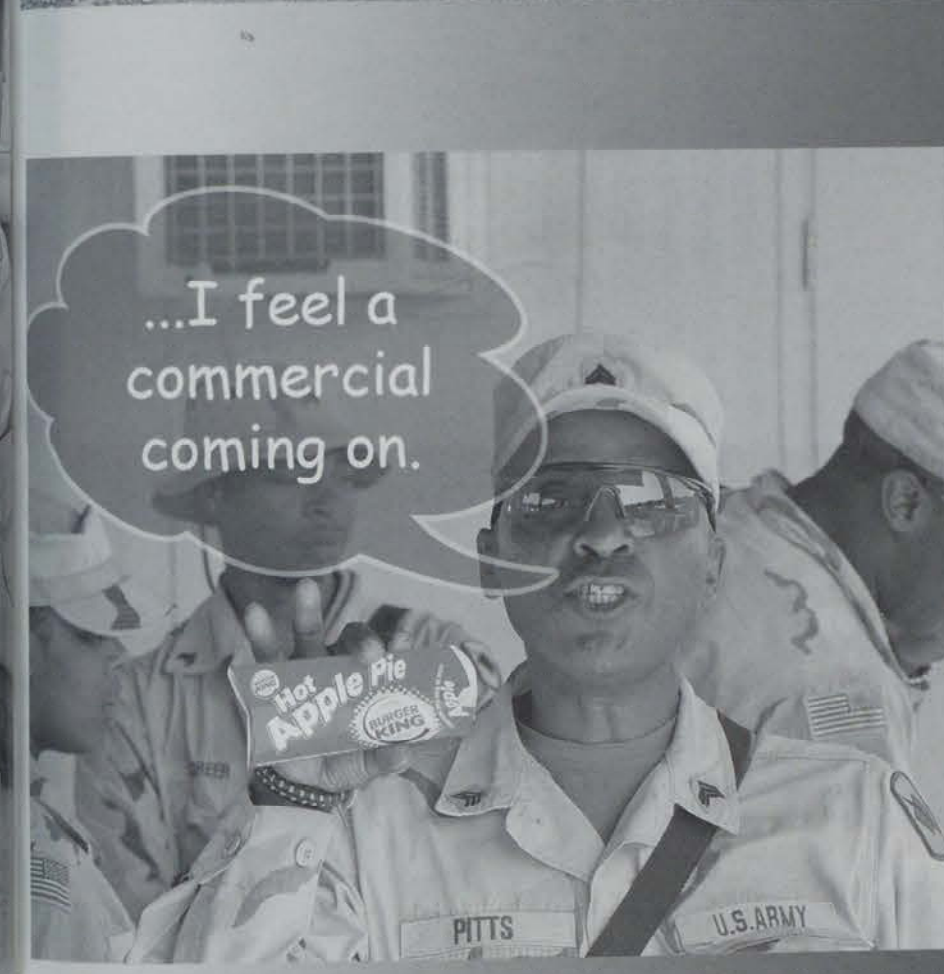
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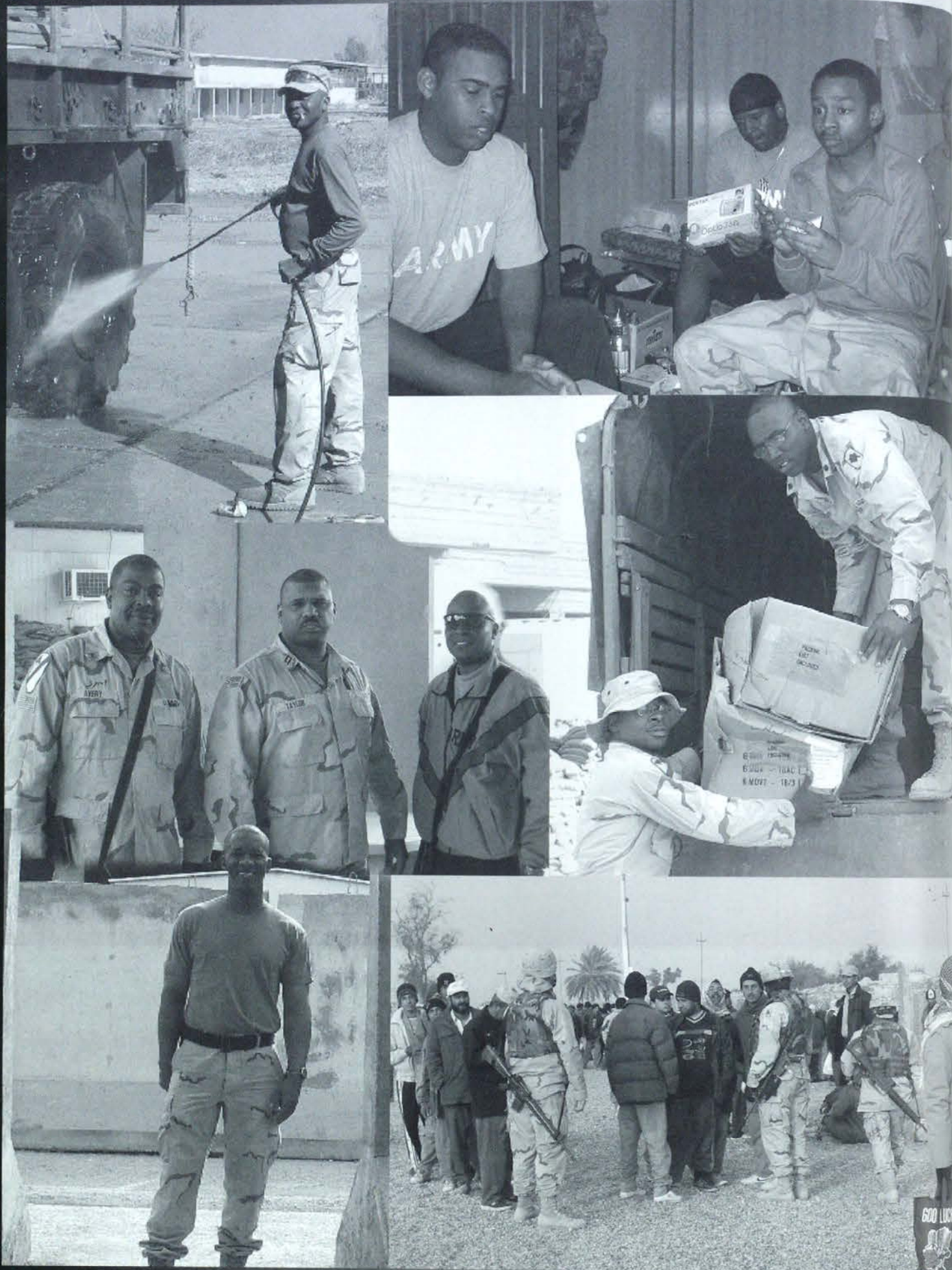


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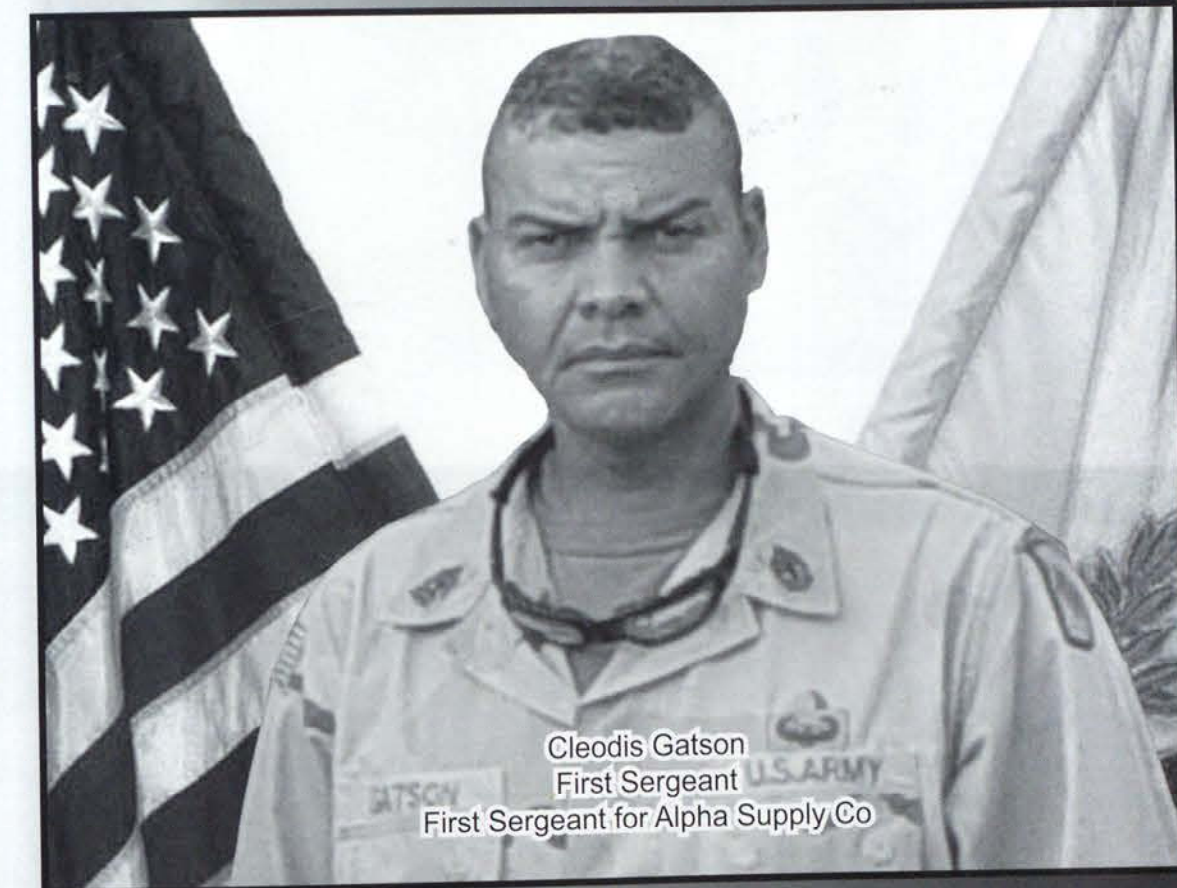




# Alpha Command



RICHARDSON, Gibb Richardson U.S. ARMY  
 Captain  
 Commander of Alpha Supply Co



GATSON, Cleodis Gatson U.S. ARMY  
 First Sergeant  
 First Sergeant for Alpha Supply Co

# Alpha Soldiers



Robert Alan Accord  
Specialist  
Fuel Handler  
Jacksonville, AR



Timothy Daniel Adair  
Specialist  
Ammunition Specialist  
Warren, AR



Gregory Mack Adams  
Sergeant  
NBC NCO  
Little Rock, AR



Derrick Alexander  
Specialist  
Fuel Handler  
Little Rock, AR



Quadir Zayid Broadway  
Specialist  
Fuel Handler  
Little Rock, AR



Donnie Ray Brown SR.  
Staff Sergeant  
Division Distribution Center  
Stuttgart, AR



Tommy Lyn Bryant  
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Ammunition Specialist  
Stuttgart, AR



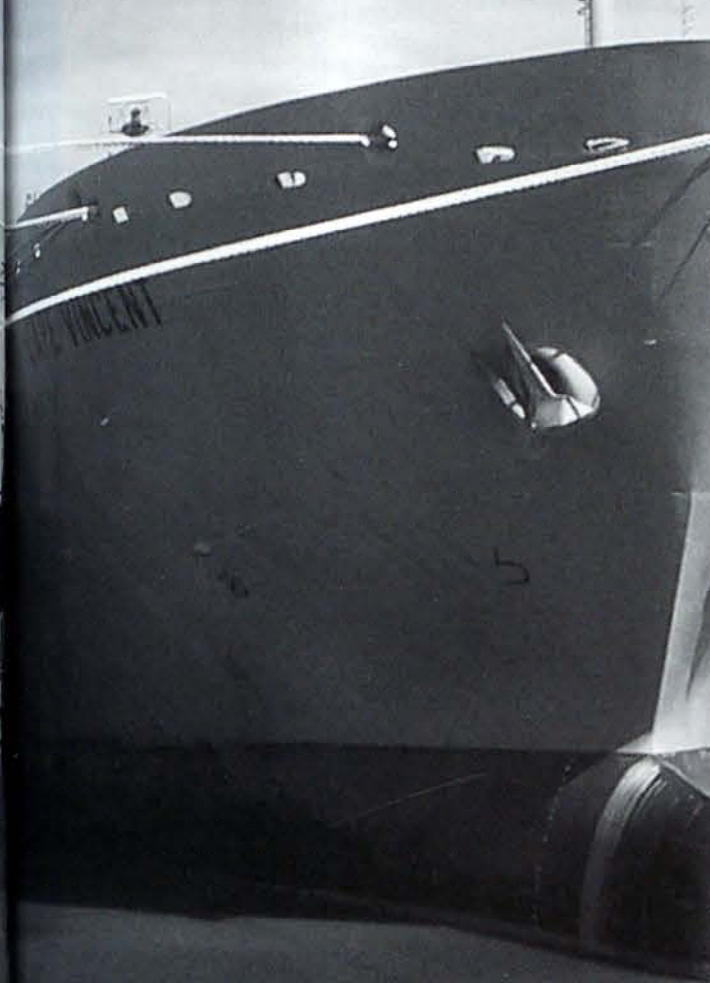
Rachael Nichol Cash  
Private First Class  
Heavy Wheel Mechanic  
Roe, AR



Clarence Albert Avery  
Sergeant  
Fuel Handler  
Stuttgart, AR



Donald Troy Barker  
Staff Sergeant  
POL Platoon Sergeant  
Sherwood, AR



Willis Anthony Chambers  
Staff Sergeant  
Retro DDC NCOIC  
Stuttgart, AR



Stephanie Charles  
Private First Class  
Fuel Handler  
Forest City, AR



Jeffrey Michael Beard  
Specialist  
Fuel Handler  
Bentonville, AR



Bobby Ray Beavers  
Specialist  
Fueller/Gunner  
Bentonville, AR



Carol Chisom  
Specialist  
Water Purification Specialist  
Monticello, AR



Larry Donel Cooper  
Specialist  
Light Wheel Mechanic  
Warren, AR



Michael Henry Borchert  
Sergeant First Class  
RIC Lanes NCOIC  
Stuttgart, AR



Paul Warren Borecky  
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Supply Sergeant  
North Little Rock, AR



Mark Derrail Bowman  
Specialist  
ULLS Clerk  
Humphrey, AR



Benjamin Brasfield  
Private First Class  
Mechanic  
Dewitt, AR



Tommie Cornish  
Staff Sergeant  
Fuel Handler  
Warren, AR



John William Cruce  
Specialist  
Fuel Handler  
Monticello, AR



Antoine Lyneal Dodds  
Private 2  
Water Purification Specialist  
Arkansas City, AR



Leon Earls  
Private  
Ammunition Specialist  
Stuttgart, AR

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Quentin Lee Edwards  
Sergeant  
Light Wheel Mechanic  
Dewitt, AR



Robert Daniel Edwards  
Specialist  
Light Wheel Mechanic  
Little Rock, AR



Tracy Onaise Enlow  
Sergeant  
ULLS Clerk  
Holly Grove, AR



Kelvin Green  
Specialist  
CALMAR Operator  
Pine Bluff, AR



Chansolar Lamon Hollins  
Specialist  
Fuel Handler  
Crossett, AR



John P. Holmes  
Staff Sergeant  
Company Supply  
Dewitt, AR



Michael Ray Huggins  
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Mechanic  
Desarc, AR



Dorian Remell Humphrey  
Specialist  
Ammunition Specialist  
Stuttgart, AR



Marcus Santonio Green  
Specialist  
Light Wheel Mechanic  
Monticello, AR



Courtney Katrell Greer  
Sergeant  
Supply Specialist  
Helena, AR



Shaunicy Damien Greer  
First Lieutenant  
OIC for RIC Lanes  
Helena, AR



Kimberly Jerleen Hancock  
Specialist  
Fuel Handler  
Stuttgart, AR



Timothy Terrel Hardimon  
Sergeant  
Ammunition Specialist/  
Asst. Section Chief  
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27 Maint. SPT BN  
Almyra, AR



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Chief Warrent Officer 2  
Maintenance Technician  
Little Rock, AR



David Lynn Holland  
Sergeant  
Mortuary Affairs  
Sheridan, AR



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Specialist  
Supply Specialist  
Tiller, AR



Nicolas Martinez  
Specialist  
Mechanic  
Heber Springs, AR



Farrell Joe McCoy  
Specialist  
Mechanic  
Center Ridge, AR



Gibert Hendrix Mitchell  
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Fuel Handler  
Stuttgart, AR

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Calvin Jordan  
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Dumas, AR



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Almyra, AR



Yalina Sue Langhorn  
Private First Class  
Supply Specialist  
Little Rock, AR



Pierre Antoine Long  
Specialist  
Petroleum Supply  
Marianna, AR

# Alpha Soldiers



Christopher Musson  
Sergeant  
Fuel Handler  
Bryant, AR



Chad David Myers  
Specialist  
Heavy Wheel Mechanic  
Pine Bluff, AR



Lee Temple Nimmer  
Staff Sergeant  
Truck Driver  
Hamburg, AR



Lemuel Lamarr Oakley  
Staff Sergeant  
Ammunition Sergeant  
Hot Springs, AR



Cortrina Renee Peters  
Specialist  
Supply Specialist  
Forrest City, AR



Vernon Pierce  
Private First Class  
Ammunition Specialist  
Beebe, AR



Darrell Leray Pickett  
Sergeant  
Truck Driver  
Pine Bluff, AR



Jerimiah Pitts  
Sergeant  
BN Rep. for local workers  
Stuttgart, AR



Frank Charles Pizzo Jr.  
Sergeant  
Ammunition Specialist  
Summit, AR



John Lewis Reed  
Staff Sergeant  
Water Purification NCO  
Dewitt, AR



James Gregory Reeves  
Staff Sergeant  
Fuel Handler  
Star City, AR



Brian Jay Reynolds  
Specialist  
Ammunition Specialist  
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Aaron Shea Rhoades  
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Ammunition Specialist  
Fort Smith, AR



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Fuel Handler  
Wilmar, AR



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Pine Bluff, AR



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Truck Driver  
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Ammunition Specialist  
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Watson, AR



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Communications Specialist  
Stuttgart, AR



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Fuel Handler  
Monticello, AR



Reginald Spencer  
Staff Sergeant  
NCOIC for local National Workers  
Crossett, AR



Leroya Deann Spratt-Mays  
Specialist  
Supply Specialist  
McGehee, AR



Marcus Dwain Stacks II  
Sergeant  
Mechanic  
Cabot, AR



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Sergeant First Class  
Truck Master  
Dumas, AR

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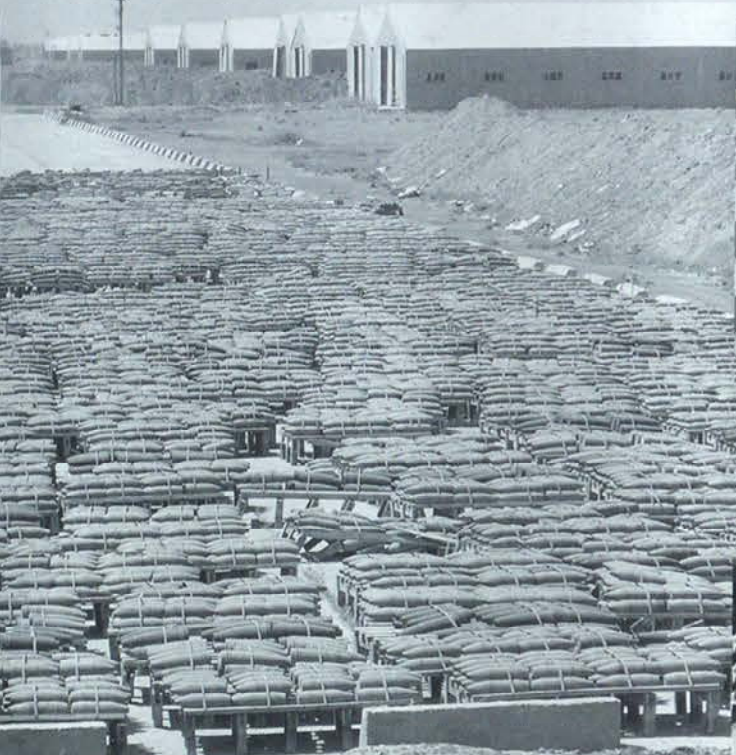
**Mark Allen Todd**  
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Motor Pool Sergeant  
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**Timothy Lemel Treadwell**  
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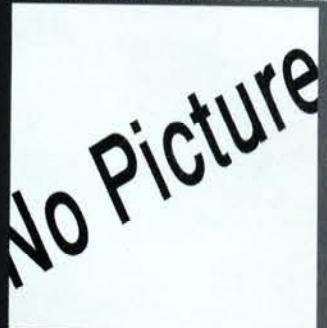
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Pine Bluff, AR



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Forrest City, AR



**Darryl Franklin Williams**  
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Light Wheel Mechanic  
Bearden, AR



**James Williams**  
Private First Class  
Supply Specialist  
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Unit Clerk  
Gould, AR



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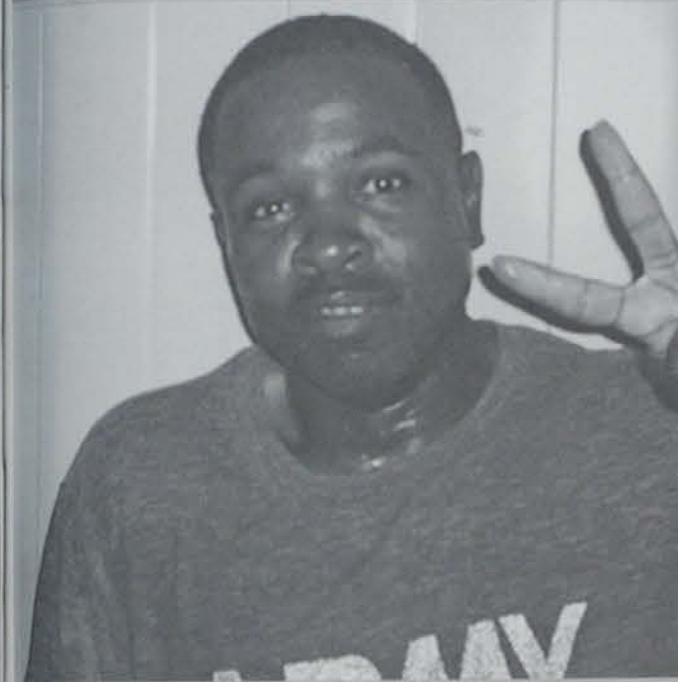
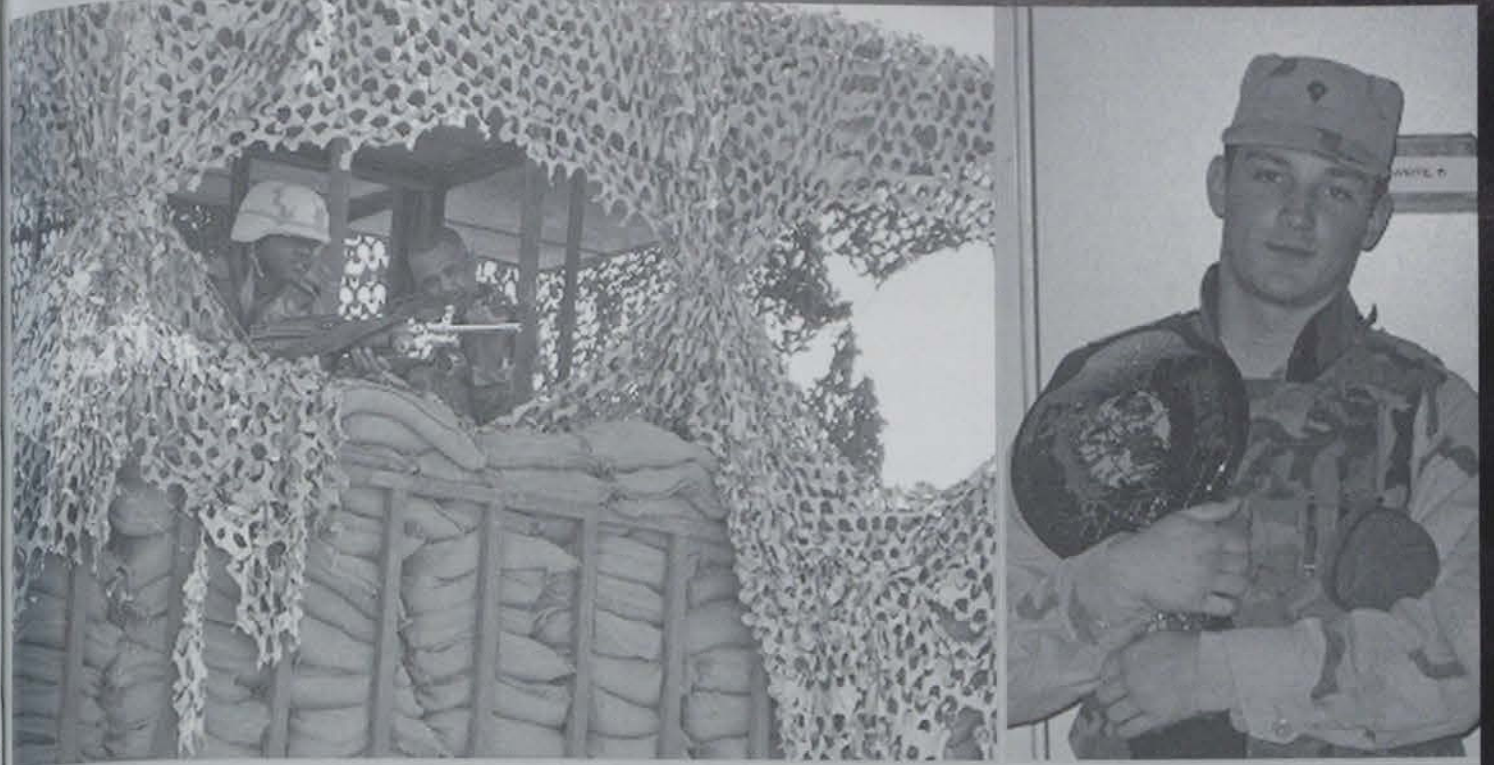
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Private 2  
Ammunitions Specialist  
Stuttgart, AR



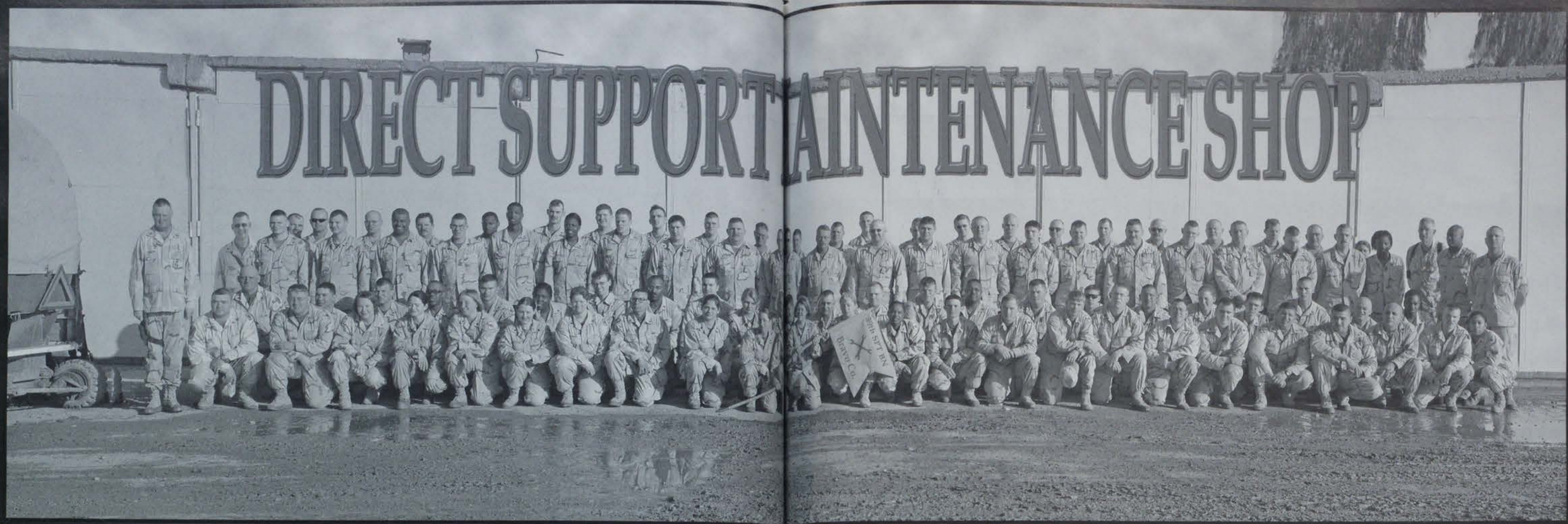


Alpha Company managed bulk supplies for the Brigade and had an enormous impact on the Division supply distribution operations. Operating 24 hours non-stop the troops of Company A definitely left their mark in the sands of Iraq. (Above) - Water Purification operation. (Middle and top right) - Brigade fuel point. (Below) - The RIC Lanes









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**Armament & Electronics Section**



**Ground Support Section**



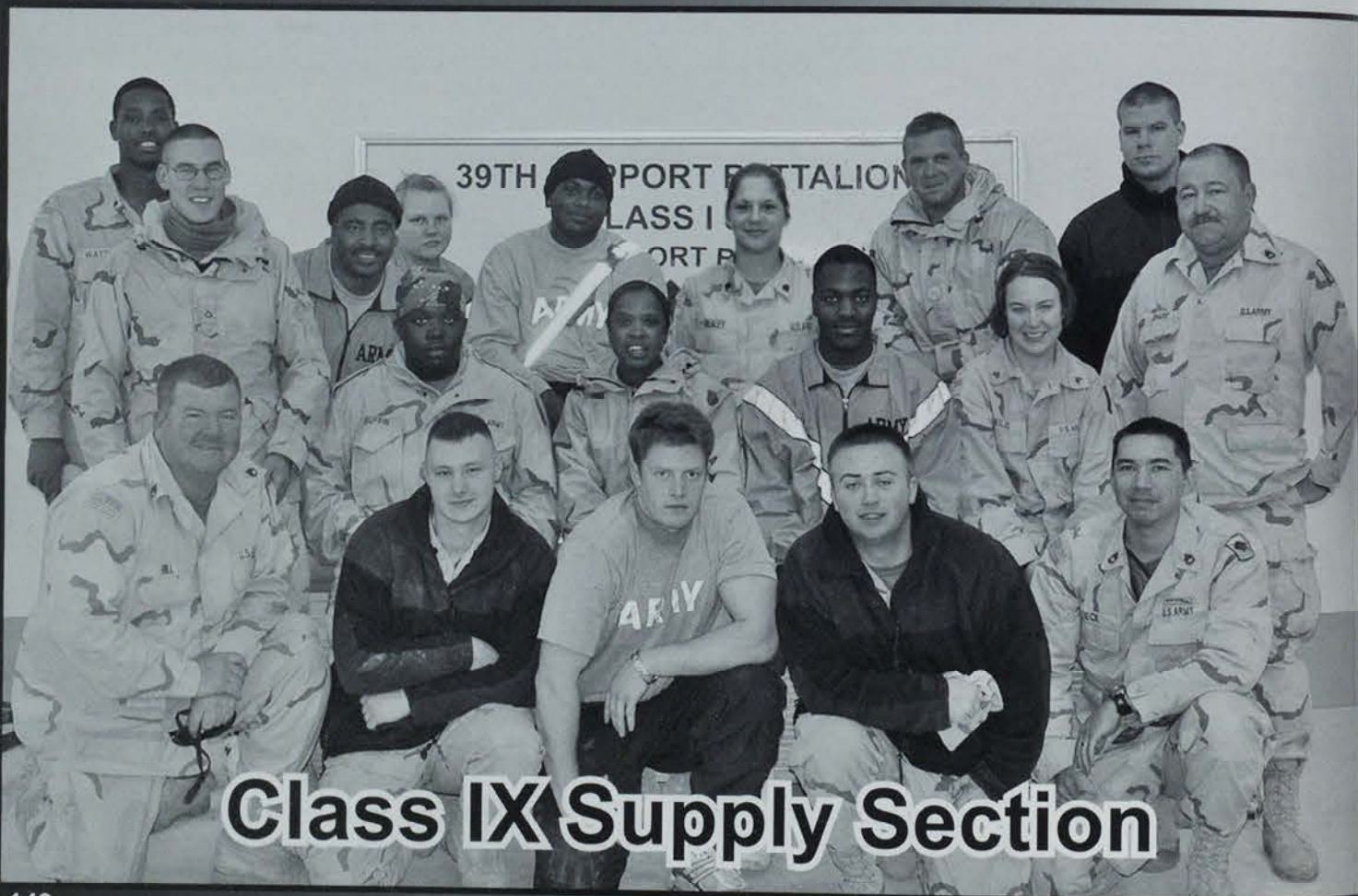
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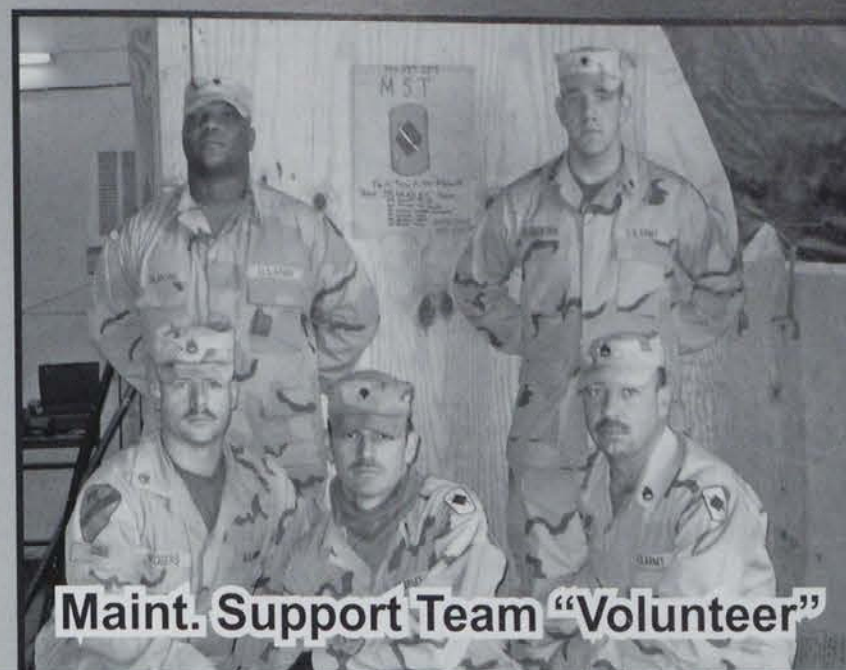
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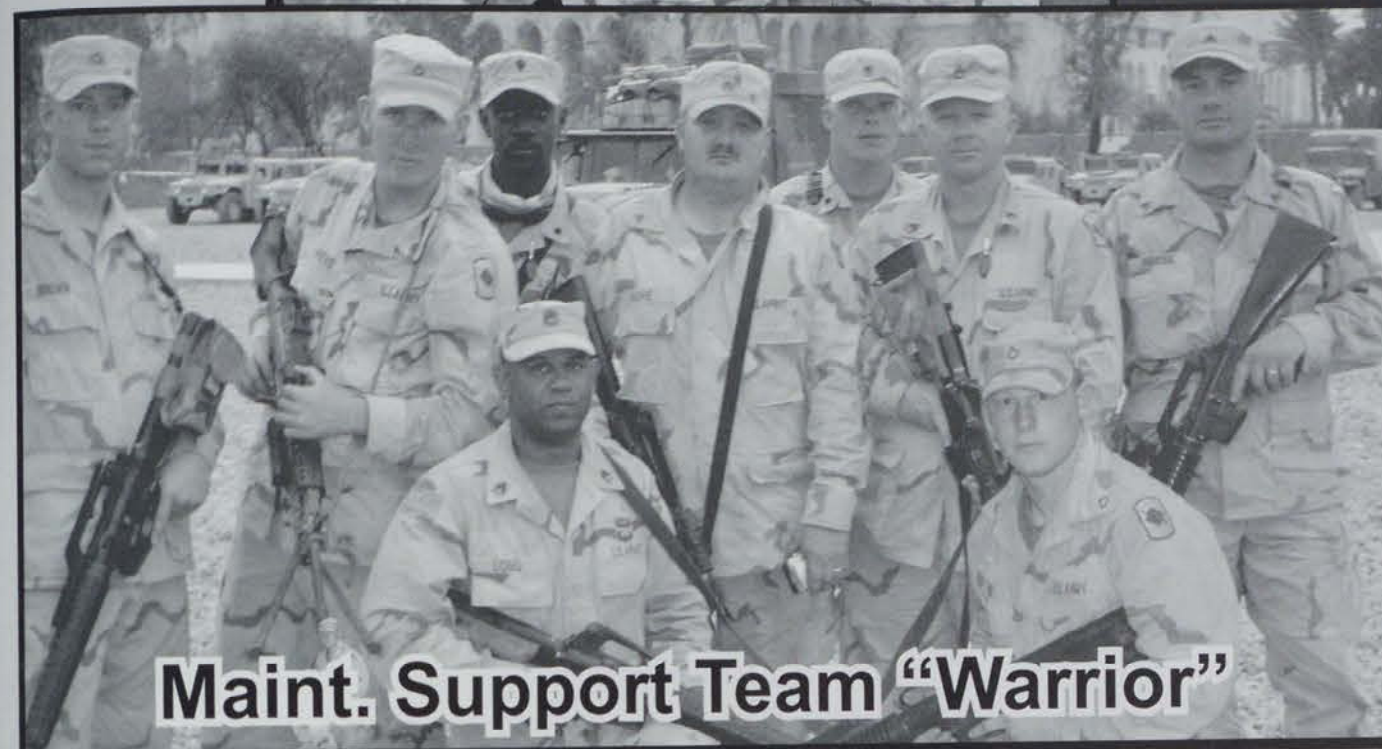
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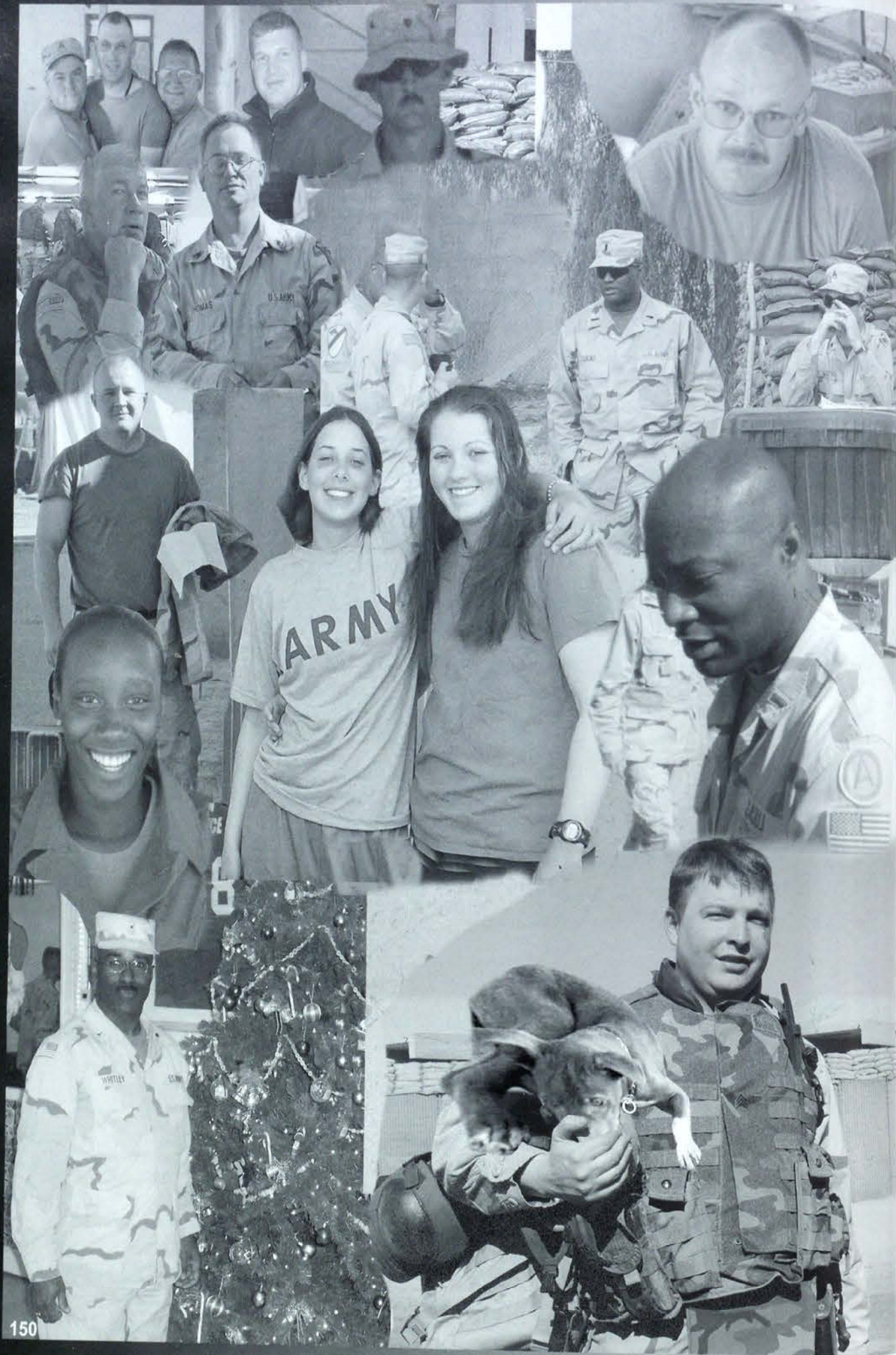
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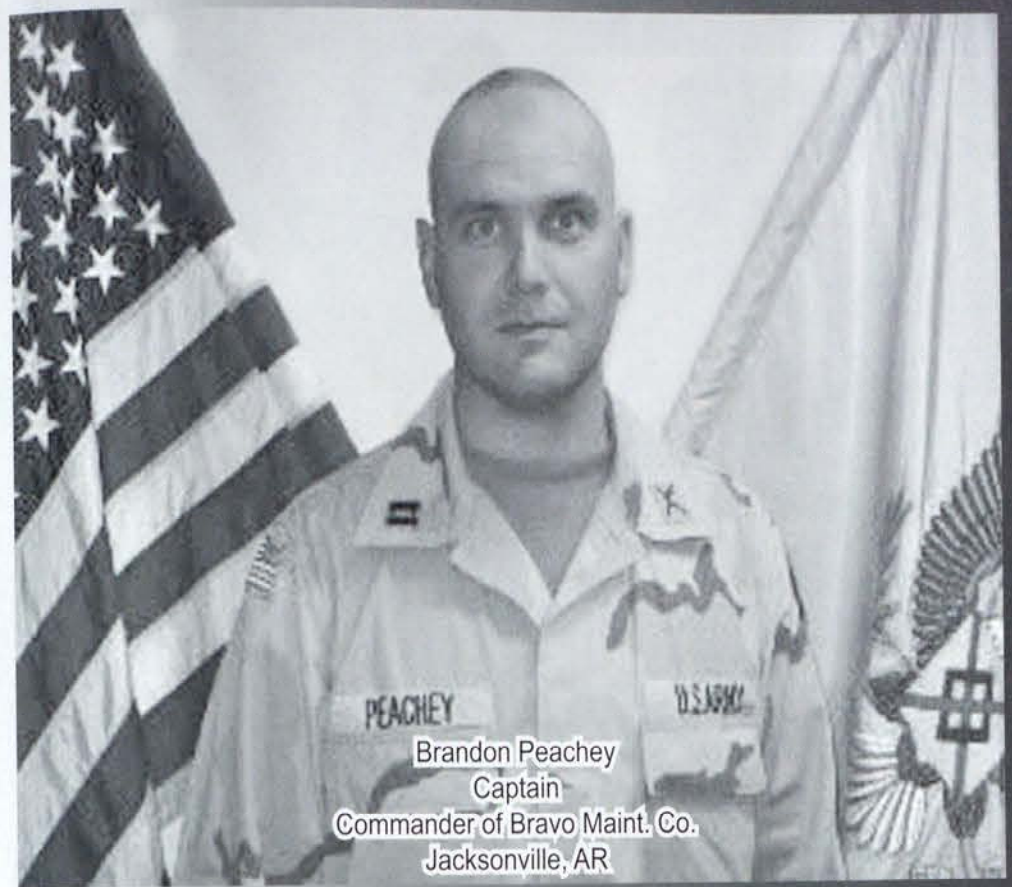
**Maint. Support Team "Warrior"**



**Brigade Internment Facility Guards**



# Bravo Command



Brandon Peachey  
 Captain  
 Commander of Bravo Maint. Co.  
 Jacksonville, AR



Mike Gangluff  
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 First Sergeant for Bravo Maint. Co.  
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Machinist  
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Production Control Clerk  
Concord, AR



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Detention Center Guard  
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Class IX Supervisor  
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Generator Mechanic  
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All Wheeled Vehicle Mech.  
Cabot, AR



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MST Team  
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**William Brown**  
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Shop Office OIC  
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Justin Creekmore  
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Detention Center Guard  
Heber Springs, AR



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Radio Traffic Operator  
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Mechanic/UMO  
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Personnel Clerk  
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Maint. Control Supervisor  
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Mayflower, AR



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Vehicle Electronics Repairer  
Little Rock, AR



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Wickes, AR



Bryan A. Galloway  
Specialist  
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MST Team  
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Division Distribution Center  
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Specialist  
Supply Specialist  
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Automated Computer Sys. Repairer  
Conway, AR



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Class I and IX Yard  
Conway, AR



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Radio/Communications Repairer  
Mt. View, AR



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Specialist  
Vehicle Mechanic  
Batesville, AR



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Sergeant  
Small Arms Repairer  
Conway, AR

# Bravo Soldiers



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Electronic Maint. Tech.  
Searcy, AR



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Supply Specialist  
Conway, AR



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Detention Center Guard  
Russellville, AR



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Bald Knob, AR



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Mayflower, AR



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Senior Production Controler  
Judsonia, AR



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Supply Specialist  
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Motor Sergeant  
Heber Springs, AR



Larry Damell Lewis Jr.  
Specialist  
Detention Center Guard  
Camden, AR



Terence Aaron Long  
Staff Sergeant  
MST Section Chief, 1st BN  
Alexander, AR



Charles Vincent Lucas  
1st Lieutenant  
Automotive Maint. Plt Ldr  
Little Rock, AR



Latoya Lunnie  
Specialist  
Light Wheel Mechanic  
Little Rock, AR



Wesley Dean Lyons  
Sergeant  
Missile Guidance Technician  
Conway, AR



James Phillip Mack III  
Specialist  
Generator Mechanic  
Bee Branch, AR



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Generator Mechanic  
Bee Branch, AR



Jovey Ryan Marshall  
Specialist  
Wrecker Operator  
Farmington, AR



Michael Thomas Mathis  
Staff Sergeant  
Automotive Technical Inspector  
Little Rock, AR



Natascha Recondra McBride  
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Class I and IX Yard



Brian C. McDonel  
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NBC NCO/Commo Chief  
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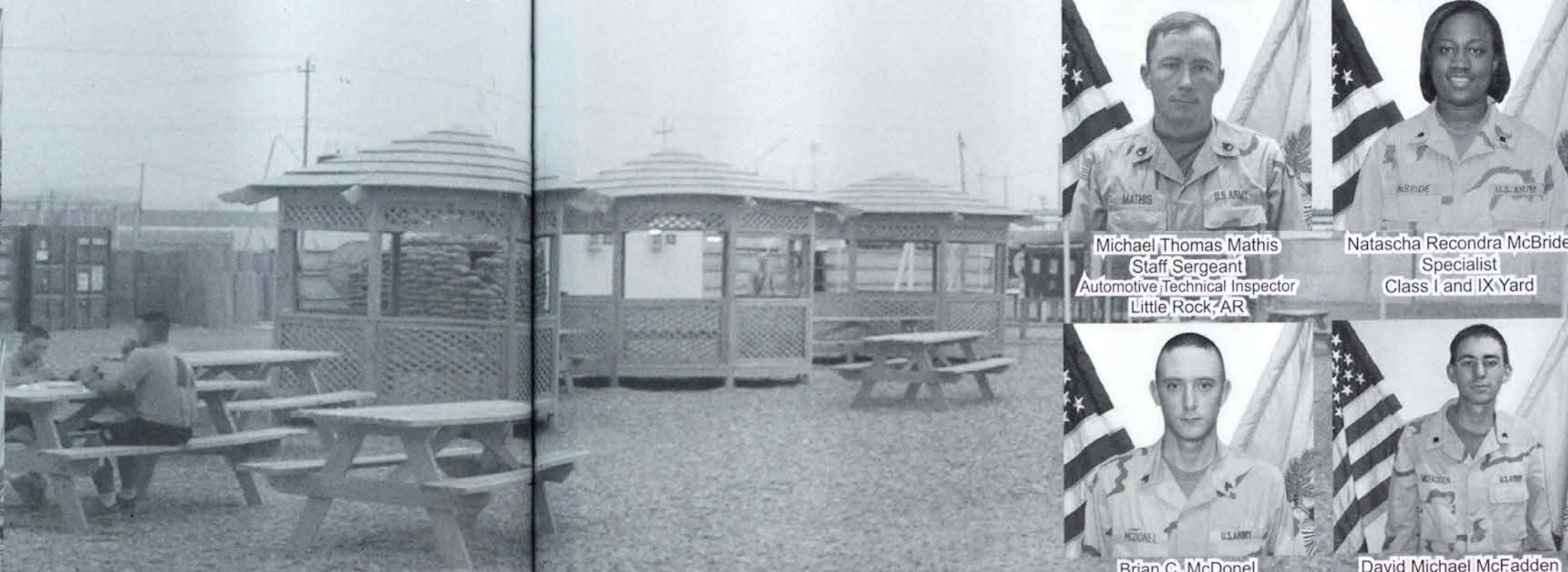
Adam Meir  
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Michael Moll  
Private First Class  
All Wheel Vehicle Mechanic



Julius Daniel Morgan  
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Captain's Assistant  
Heber Springs, AR



# Bravo Soldiers



Randall Wayne Morrison  
Staff Sergeant  
Fuel/Electronic Repairer  
Vilonia, Ar



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Staff Sergeant  
MST Team  
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Mechanic  
Heber Springs, AR



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Heber Springs, AR



Sarah Michelle Parker  
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Small Arms Repairer  
Mount Pleasant, AR



Zachery Seth Parker  
Specialist  
Vehicle Electronics Repairer  
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Mechanic



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Staff Sergeant  
Generator, Mechanic  
Rose Bud, AR



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Supply Specialist  
Berryville, AR



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Service/Recovery Section SGT  
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Auto Repair Sergeant  
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Harrison, AR



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MST Team  
Heber Springs



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MST team  
Cabot, AR



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Mechanic  
Greers Ferry, AR



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Light Wheel Vehicle Mechanic  
Bald Knob, AR



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MST Team Section Chief 2nd BN  
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Electronics Repairer  
Deridder, LA



Phillip Cecil Rappold II  
Specialist  
Welder  
Conway, AR



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Sergeant  
Quartermaster/Chemical Equip.  
Repairer, Lonoke, AR



John Richie  
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MST team  
Bee Branch, AR



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All Wheel Vehicle Mechanic  
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MST Team  
Barling, AR



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Specialist  
Supply Specialist  
West Memphis, AR



James William Sanders  
Staff Sergeant  
Company Supply Sergeant  
Searcy, AR



David Shannon Scroggins  
Sergeant First Class  
Armament/Electronics Plt Sgt  
Bindtown, AR



Shameka Seaton  
Specialist  
ULLS Clerk  
CA



Scott Adam Shackelford  
Specialist  
All Wheel Vehicle Mechanic  
Perry County, AR



Tommy Colt Shirley  
Specialist  
A/C Repairer  
Vilonia, AR



Bruce Allen Smith  
Sergeant  
Light Wheel Vehicle Mechanic  
Pangburn, AR



Candace Michelle Spharler  
Specialist  
Detention Center Guard  
Greenbrier, AR



James Alexander Stacy  
Specialist  
MST team  
Pangburn, AR



Vanessa Lynn Steele  
Specialist  
Heavy Wheel Mechanic  
Newport, AR



Joseph Bernard Sullivan  
Specialist  
Small Arms Repairer  
Mountain Home, AR

# Bravo Soldiers



Michael Stephen Thomas  
Staff Sergeant  
Generator Mechanic  
Guy, AR



Eugene Garcia Villarreal Jr.  
Sergeant  
Machinist  
Springdale, AR



Angela Denise Washington  
Specialist  
Supply Specialist  
Conway, AR



Corey Demond Watson  
Specialist  
Class I and IV Yard  
Jacksonville, AR



Danny Clarence West  
Sergeant First Class  
Maintenance Supervisor  
Magnolia, AR



Gary Gene White  
Private First Class  
Detention Center Guard  
Conway, AR



Darryl E. Whitley  
Warrant Officer 1  
Missile Systems Technician  
North Little Rock, AR



Lisa Marie Wiles  
Sergeant  
Class I and IV Yard  
Atkins, AR



Bethany Ann Williams  
Specialist  
All Wheel Vehicle Mechanic  
Concord, AR



Jason Robert Wilson  
Specialist  
Vehicle Mechanic  
Gepp, AR



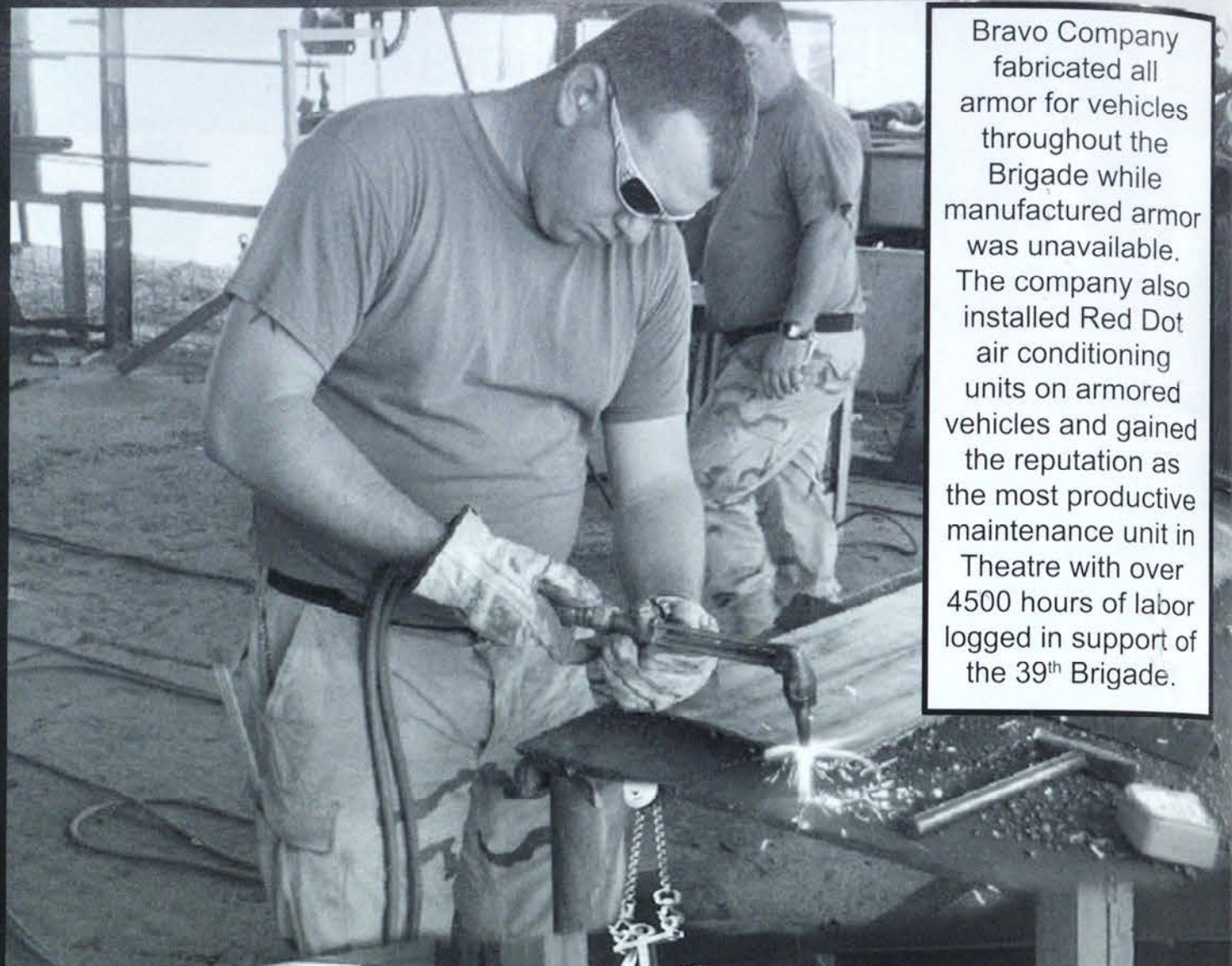
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Sergeant First Class  
Automotive Maint. Section Chief  
Rodgers, AR



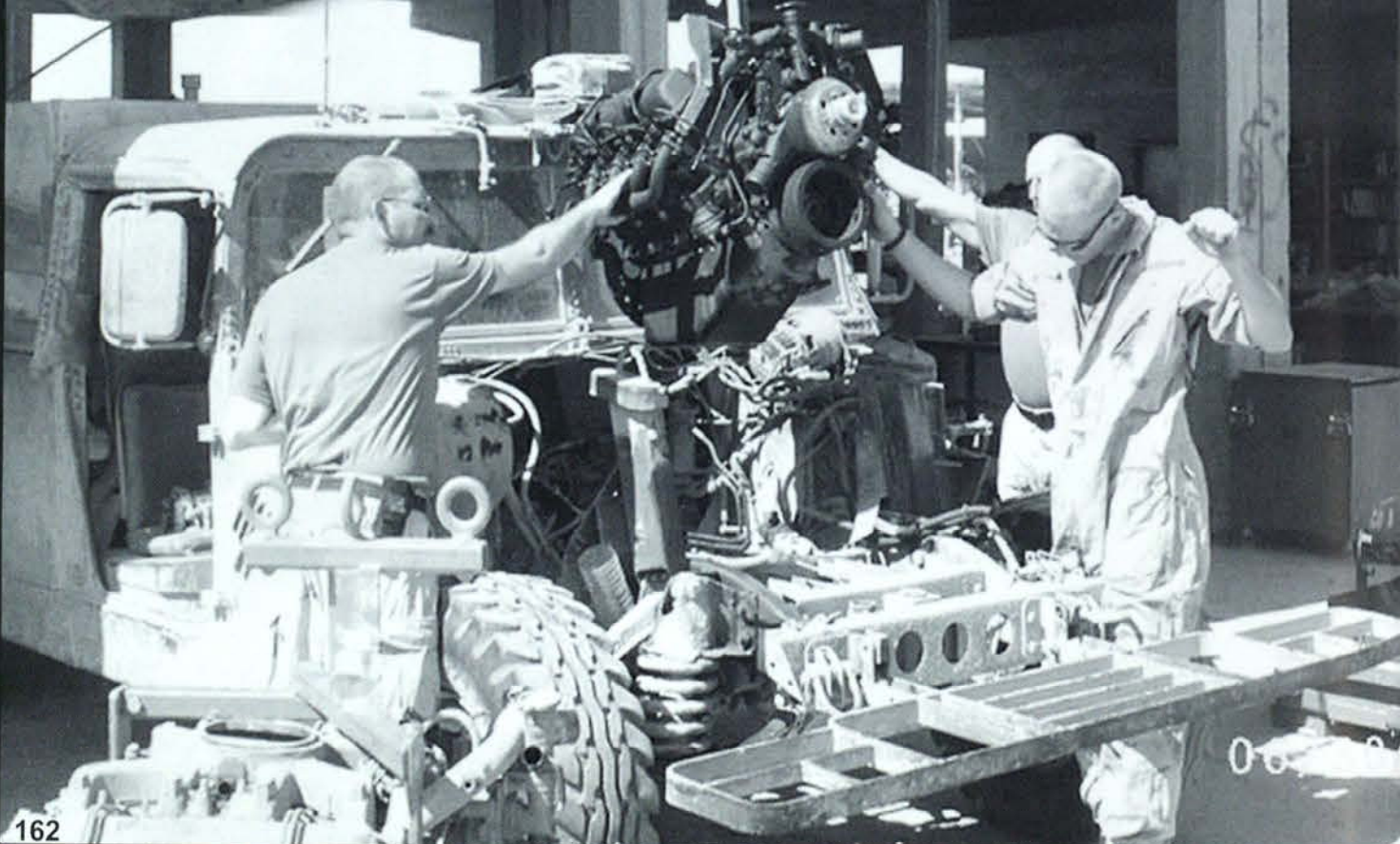
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Supply Specialist/27 MSB  
Plainview, AR

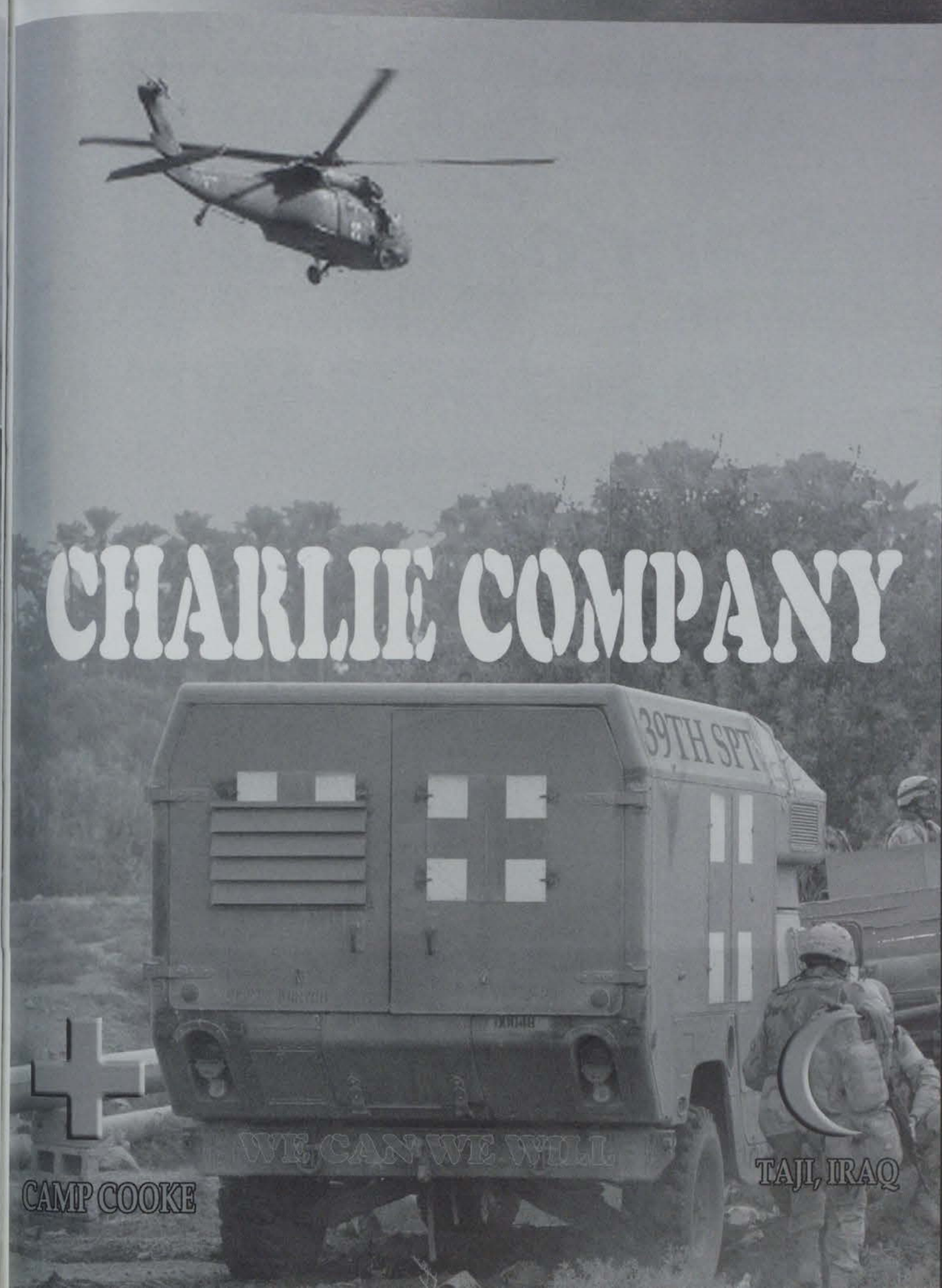


Bobby Young  
Staff Sergeant  
MST Team  
Berryville, AR



Bravo Company fabricated all armor for vehicles throughout the Brigade while manufactured armor was unavailable. The company also installed Red Dot air conditioning units on armored vehicles and gained the reputation as the most productive maintenance unit in Theatre with over 4500 hours of labor logged in support of the 39<sup>th</sup> Brigade.





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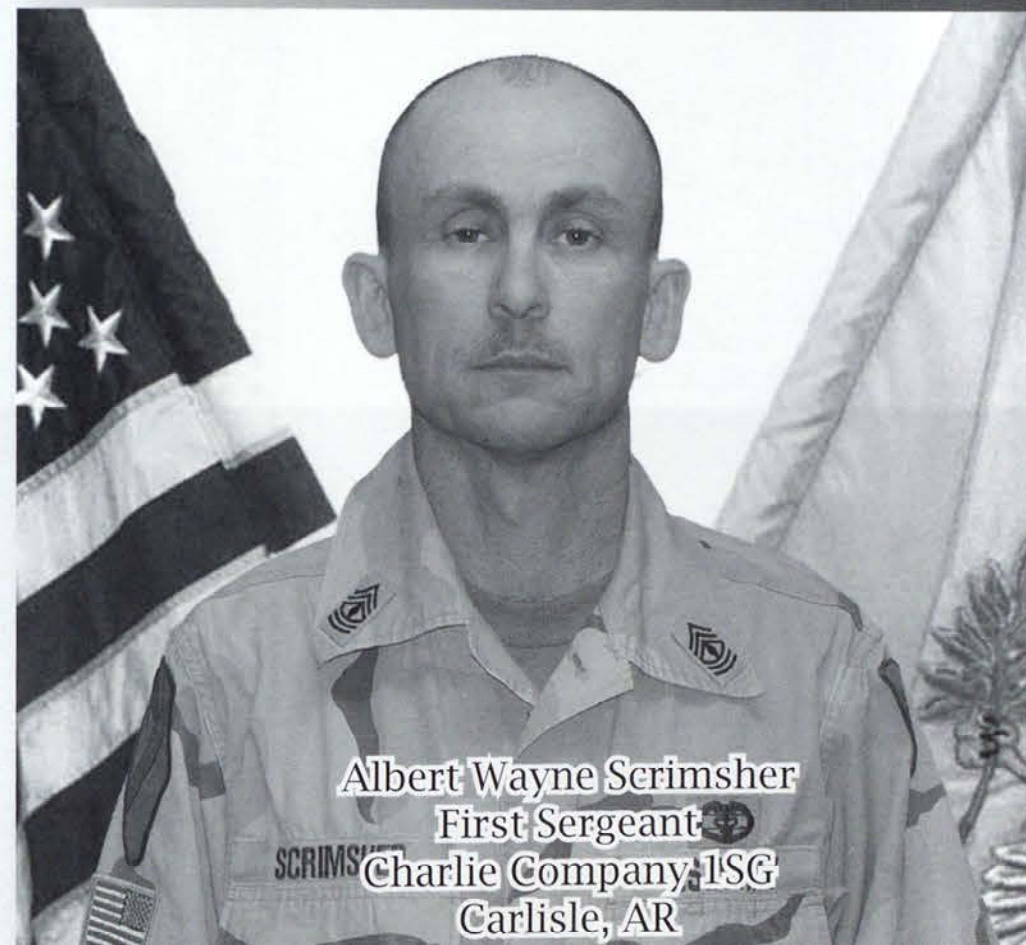
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Louis Ambros Norwood  
Captain  
Charlie Company Commander  
Jonesboro, AR



Albert Wayne Scrimsher  
First Sergeant  
Charlie Company 1SG  
Carlisle, AR



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PLATOON**



**TREATMENT PLATOON**



**AMBULANCE PLATOON**



**Charlie Company's  
Family Readiness Group**

# Treatment Team

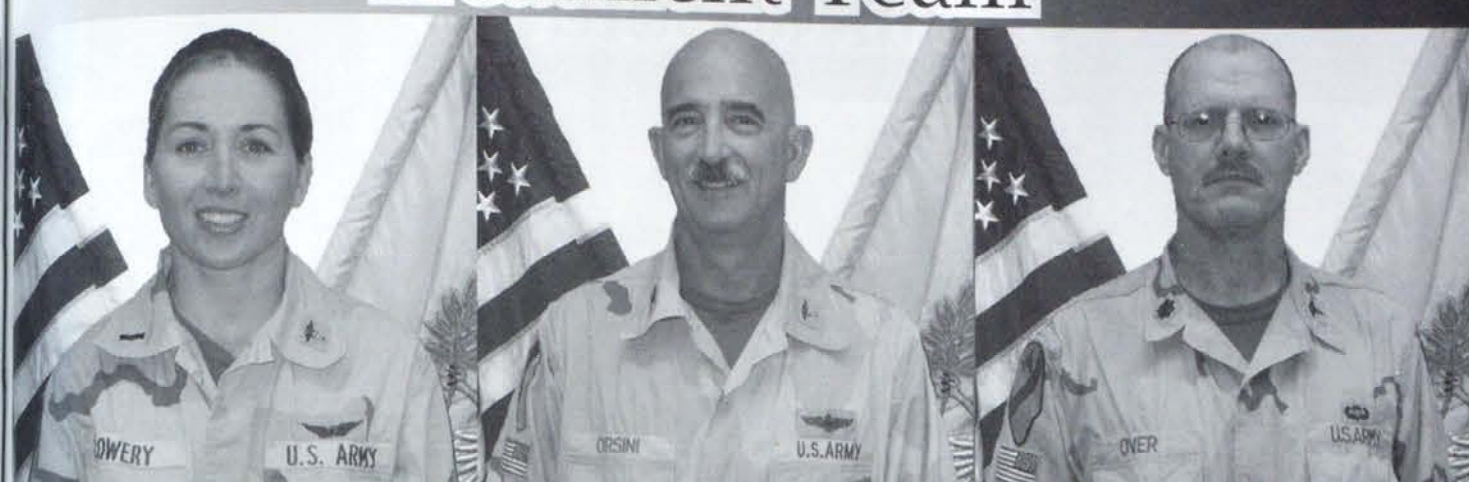


**Theresa Rene Cappock**  
**Captain**  
**OIC of Treatment**  
**Benton, AR**

**Dewayne C. O. Daniels**  
**Lieutenant Colonel**  
**Physician**  
**El Dorado, AR**

**Louis Fermin DeOrbegozo**  
**Major**  
**Enviornmental Medice/Preventive Medicine**  
**Little Rock, AR**

# Treatment Team



**Robin Lynn Lowery**  
**1t Lieutenant**  
**Physician's Assistant**  
**Eldorado, AR**

**James Andrew Orsini**  
**Colonel**  
**Brigade Dental Surgeon**  
**Little Rock, AR**

**Darrell Ray Over**  
**Major**  
**Battalion Surgeon**  
**Pine Bluff, AR**



**James Stuart Greene**  
**Colonel**  
**Physician**  
**FT. Smith, AR**



**David Charles Paladino**  
**Lieutenant Colonel**  
**Senoir Physician's Assistant**  
**Conway, AR**



**William Justin Hayes**  
**Captain**  
**Physicians Assistant**  
**Little Rock, AR**



**Kevin Robert Koehler**  
**Major**  
**Physician**  
**Pontotoc, MS**



**Aaron Clay Kyer**  
**Captain**  
**Physicians Assistant**  
**Little Rock, AR**



**Jeremiah Ryan Rodgers**  
**1st Lieutenant**  
**Brigade Surgeon's Staff**



**Joseph Dale Sarnicki**  
**Colonel**  
**Brigade Surgeon**



**Kenneth Leon Weaver**  
**1st Lieutenant**  
**Physicians Assistant**  
**Sherwood, AR**

# Charlie Soldiers



Danielle Maire Abels  
Specialist  
Medic  
Plumberville, AR



Lindon Cordell Allen  
Sergeant  
Medic  
Helena, AR



Tiffini Rashun Barnett  
Specialist  
Medic  
Devals Bluff, AR



Zebulon Ray Bradley  
Sergeant  
Dental Asst.  
Cedar Hill, TX



Alfred Lee Brown Jr.  
Sergeant  
Medic  
Sherwood, AR



Stephen Luther Burns  
Specialist  
Supply Specialist  
Monticello, AR



Angela Marie Burroughs  
Specialist  
Combat Medic  
Little Rock, AR



Courtney Stewart Calkins  
Specialist  
Medic  
Jonesboro, AR



Angela Fay Carey  
Sergeant  
Medic  
Little Rock, AR



Bryan Scott Clevenger Jr.  
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Redfield, AR



David Michael Curl  
Specialist  
Medical Maint. NCOIC  
Cabot, AR



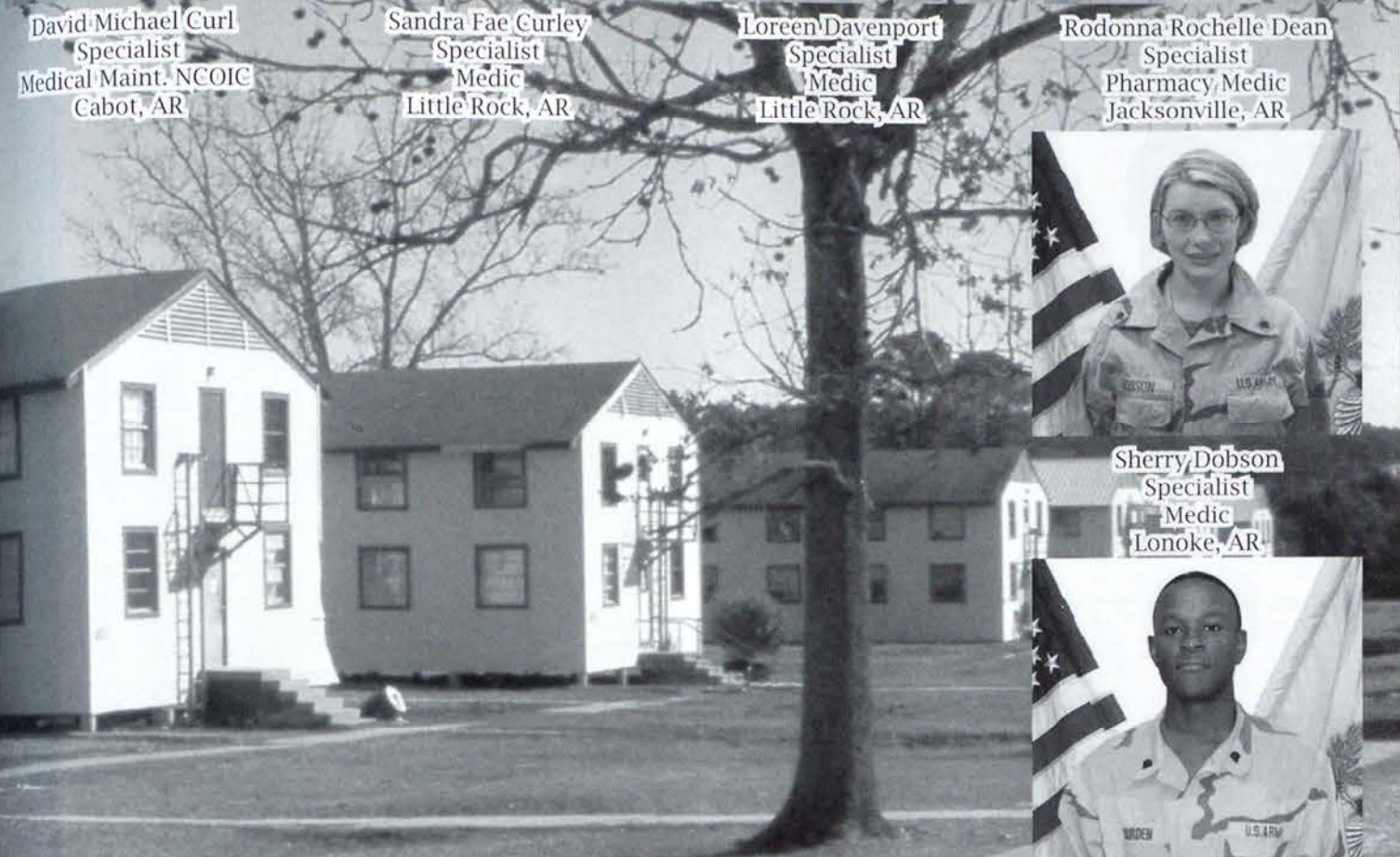
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Medic  
Little Rock, AR



Loreen Davenport  
Specialist  
Medic  
Little Rock, AR



Rodonna Rochelle Dean  
Specialist  
Pharmacy Medic  
Jacksonville, AR



Sherry Dobson  
Specialist  
Medic  
Lonoke, AR



Alexander James Durden  
Specialist  
Radio Technician  
McGehee, AR



Tameka Lashawn Earl  
Specialist  
Medic  
Little Rock, AR



Anthony Kendal Fillippino  
1st Lieutenant  
Headquarters Plt Ldr  
Conway, AR



Toni Michelle Franks  
Sergeant  
Medic  
Jacksonville, AR



Verna Jean Freeman  
Sergeant  
Medic  
Jacksonville

# Charlie Soldiers

# Charlie Solders



Michael Thomas Goad  
Sergeant  
Medic  
Monticello, AR



Jason George  
Sergeant  
Medic  
Cabot, AR



Michelle Leigpurch Gonzales  
Sergeant  
Medic  
Cabot, AR



Amanda Renee Griffin  
Specialist  
Medic  
Little Rock, AR



David Reece Jones  
Specialist  
Medic  
Blythville, AR



James Bernard Juario Jr.  
Specialist  
Medic  
Cabot, AR



Charles Morgan Kee  
Sergeant  
Light Wheeled Mechanic  
Hazen, AR



Develon Michelle Lewis  
Staff Sergeant  
Medic  
Little Rock, AR



Nathan Zolas Haley  
Specialist  
Mental Health Specialist  
Sherwood, AR



Aaron Craig Harper  
Specialist  
Medic  
Little Rock, AR



Sarah Ellen Harper  
Specialist  
Medic  
Benton, AR



Susan Annette Hoffmeister  
Sergeant  
Medic  
Newport, AR



Samantha Hren  
Sergeant  
Preventive Medicine  
Arlington, TX



Ron Jetton  
Staff Sergeant  
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Motor Pool SGT  
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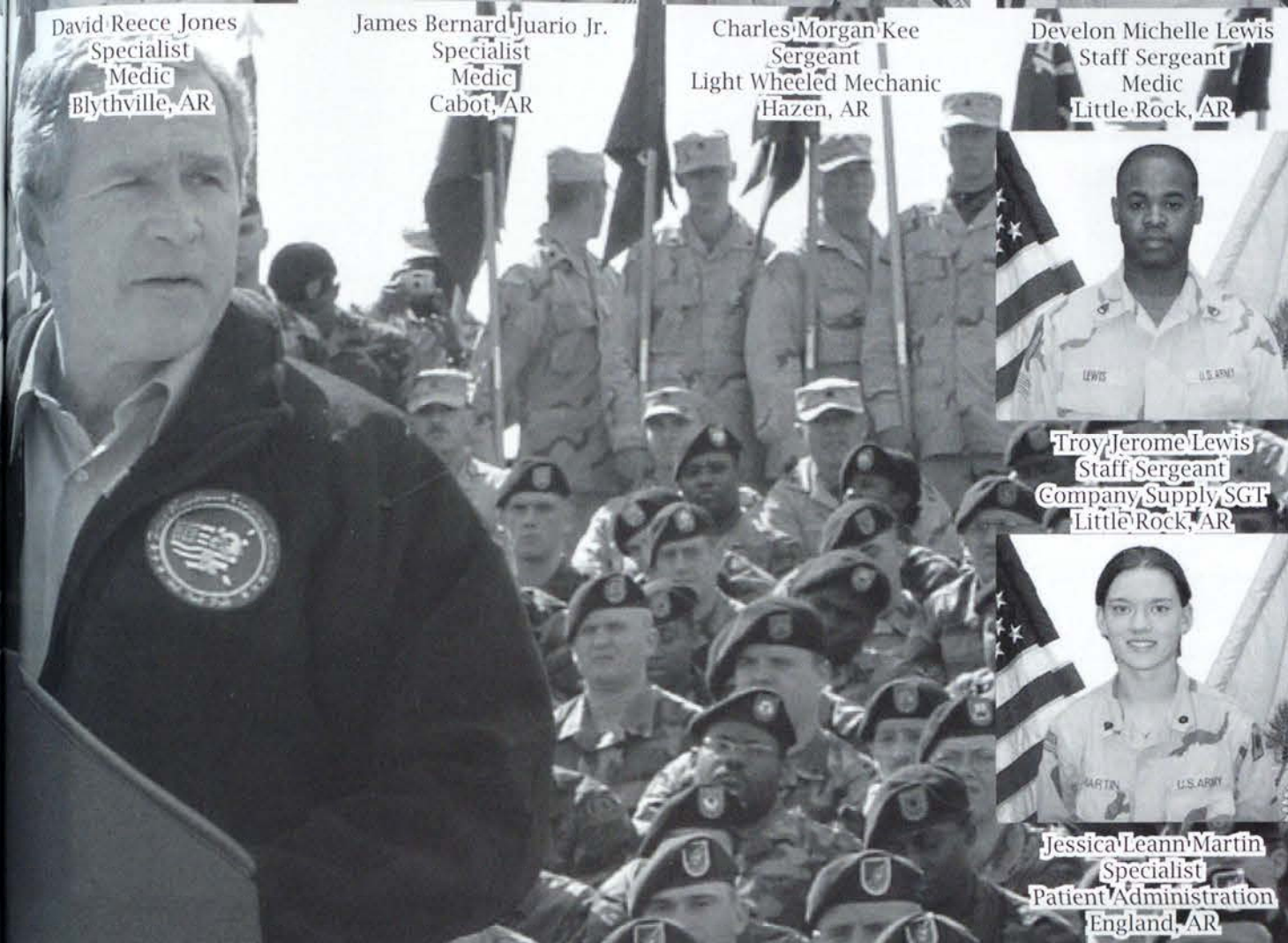


Gerald Leland McGee  
Sergeant First Class  
Ambulance Plt Sgt  
Monticello, AR



Timothy Wayne McKay  
Sergeant  
X-ray Technician  
Ft. Smith, AR

# Charlie Soldiers



Troy Jerome Lewis  
Staff Sergeant  
Company Supply SGT  
Little Rock, AR



Jessica Leann Martin  
Specialist  
Patient Administration  
England, AR



# Charlie Soldiers



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Staff Sergeant  
Medic  
Hot Springs, AR



Michael Joseph Miller  
Specialist  
Medic  
Cabot, AR



Corey Morgan  
Specialist  
Medic  
Conway, AR



Wesley M. Moran  
Sergeant  
Medic  
Cabot, AR



Marvin Dewayne Mills  
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Light Wheeled Mechanic  
Carlisle, AR



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Medic  
Rogers, AR



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NBC/NCO  
Vanburan, AR



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Medic  
Dumas, AR



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Combat Medic  
England, AR



Gregory John Oginski  
Staff Sergeant  
NCOIC Treatment Facility  
Jacksonville, AR



Gale Owens  
Specialist  
Supply Specialist  
Eldorado, AR



Jacob Glen Osburn  
Specialist  
Light Wheeled Mechanic  
Little Rock, AR



Chris Purchase  
Sergeant  
Medic  
Cabot, AR



Jimmy Lee Phillips  
Staff Sergeant  
Light Wheel Mechanic  
Dermont, AR



Paula Reed  
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Medic  
Maumelle, AR



James Lewis Rhoades  
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Medic  
North Little Rock, AR



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Medic  
Mayflower, AR



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Specialist  
Patient Administration  
Cabot, AR



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Sergeant  
Medic  
Waldron, AR

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Stephen Micah Shackelford  
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Combat Medic  
Cabot, AR



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Sergeant  
Medic  
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Stephen Jay Shields  
Sergeant  
Brigade Medical Supply NCOIC  
Euless, TX



Jeremy Sharad Smith  
Sergeant  
Communications Section Sgt  
Searcy, AR



Lencoler Smith III  
Sergeant  
Medic  
Little Rock, AR



Phlander Smith  
Specialist  
Light Wheel Mechanic  
Marvell, AR



Nicole Lorain Stacker  
Specialist  
Medic  
North Little Rock, AR



Mark Allen Taylor  
Specialist  
PLL Clerk  
Harrisburg, AR



Steven Paul Thessin  
Sergeant  
Senior Mechanic  
Cabot, AR



Rebecca Brown-Tims  
Specialist  
Medical Supply  
Scott, AR

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Lawrence Tyler Jr.  
Specialist  
Medic  
Little Rock, AR



Jack Travis Ursery  
Specialist  
Supply Specialist  
Arkadelphia, AR



Ronald Lee Ward  
Specialist  
Ambulance Plt Section Sgt  
Little Italy, AR



Charles Burton Webster Jr.  
Staff Sergeant  
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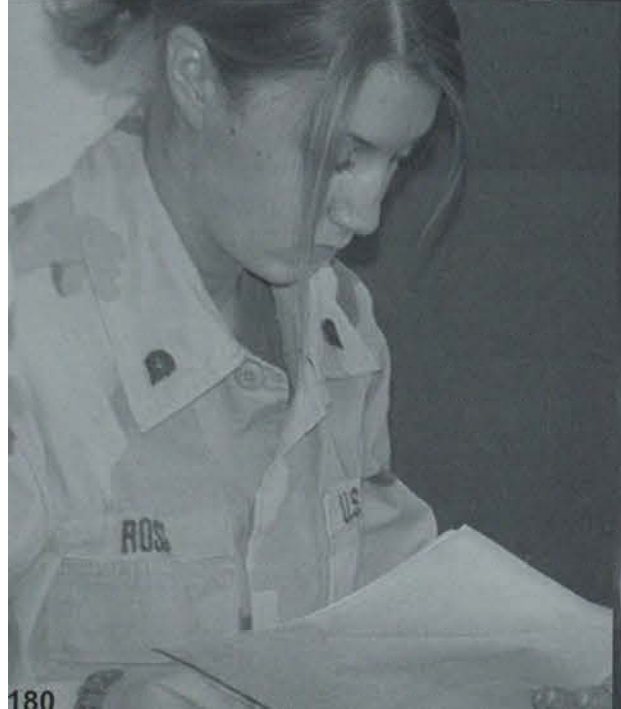
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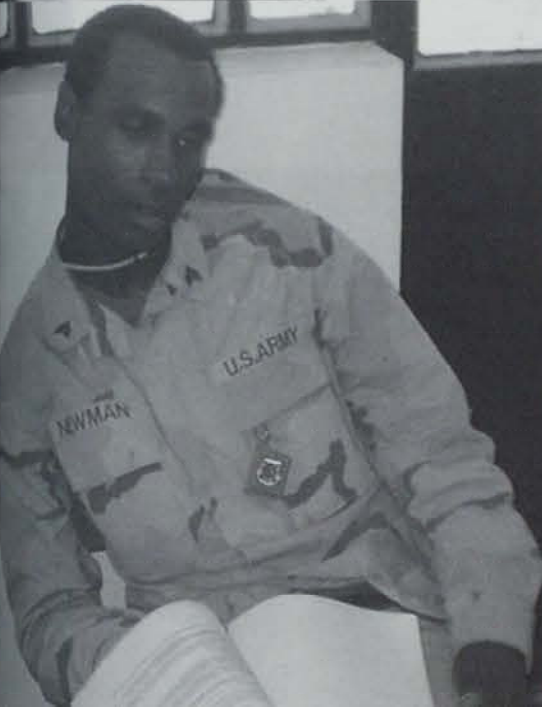
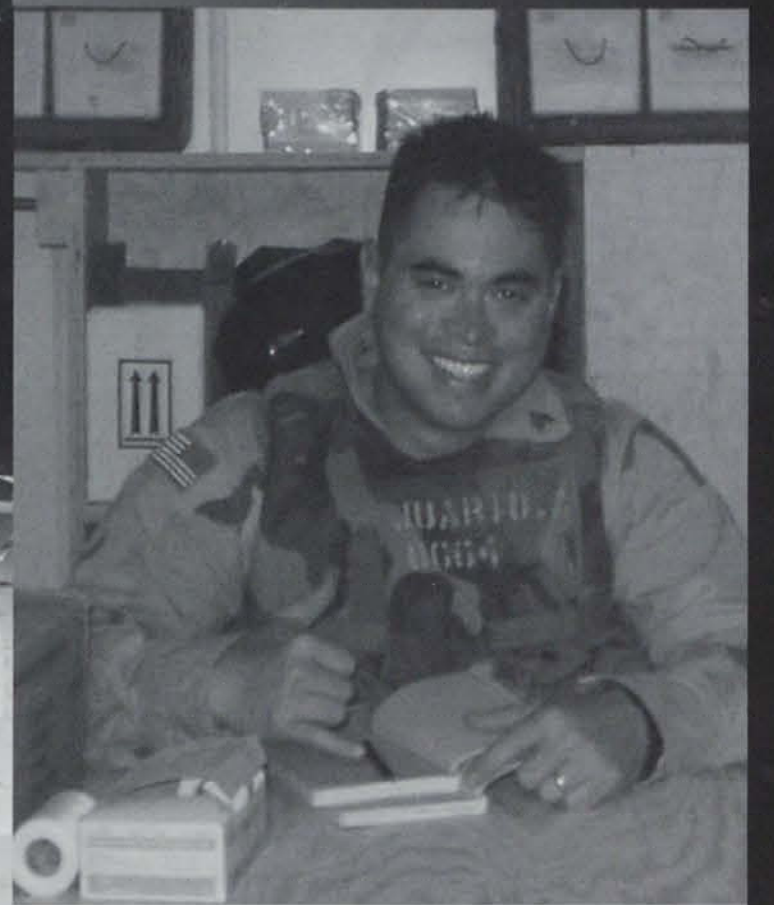
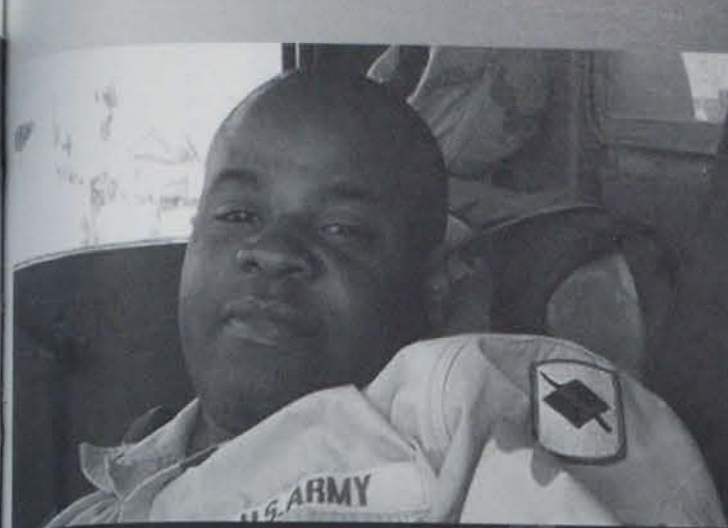


Cody Gene Wright  
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Medic  
Little Rock, AR

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Brandon Williams  
Private First Class







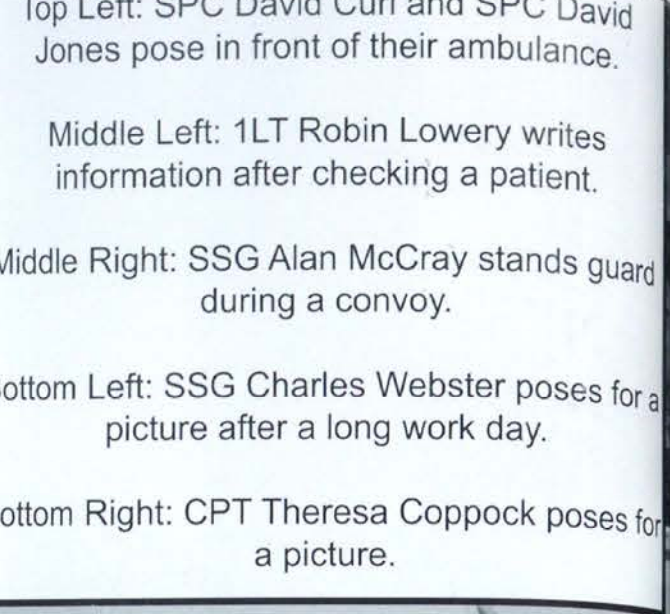
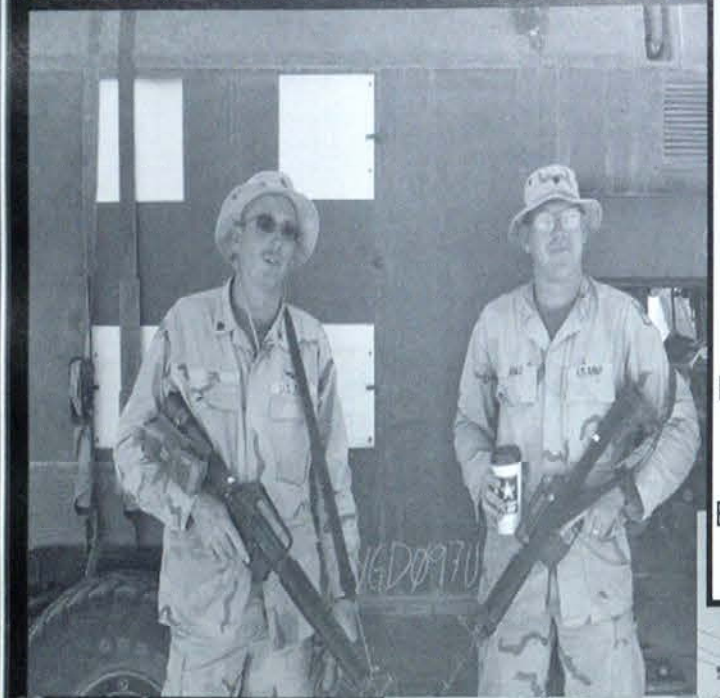
Top Left: SPC David Curl and SPC David Jones pose in front of their ambulance.

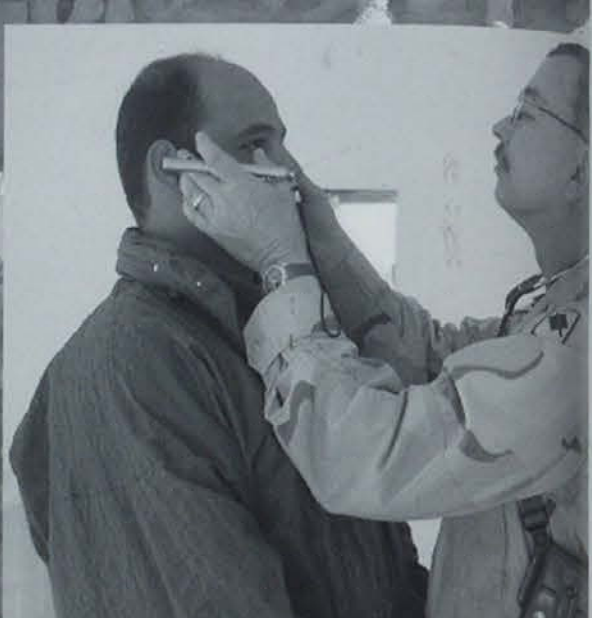
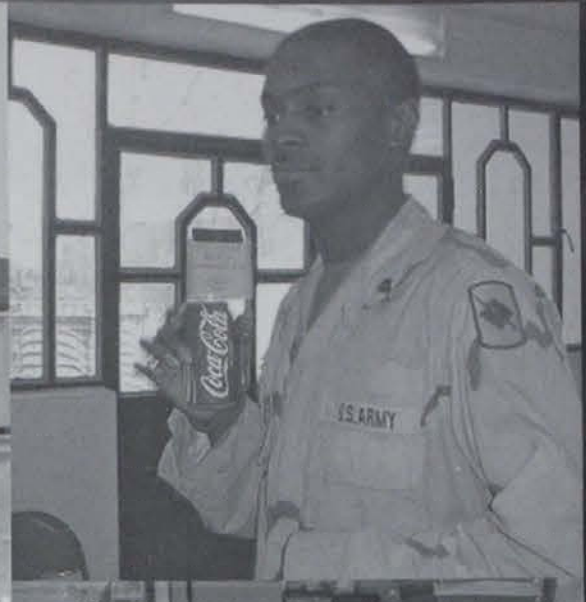
Middle Left: 1LT Robin Lowery writes information after checking a patient.

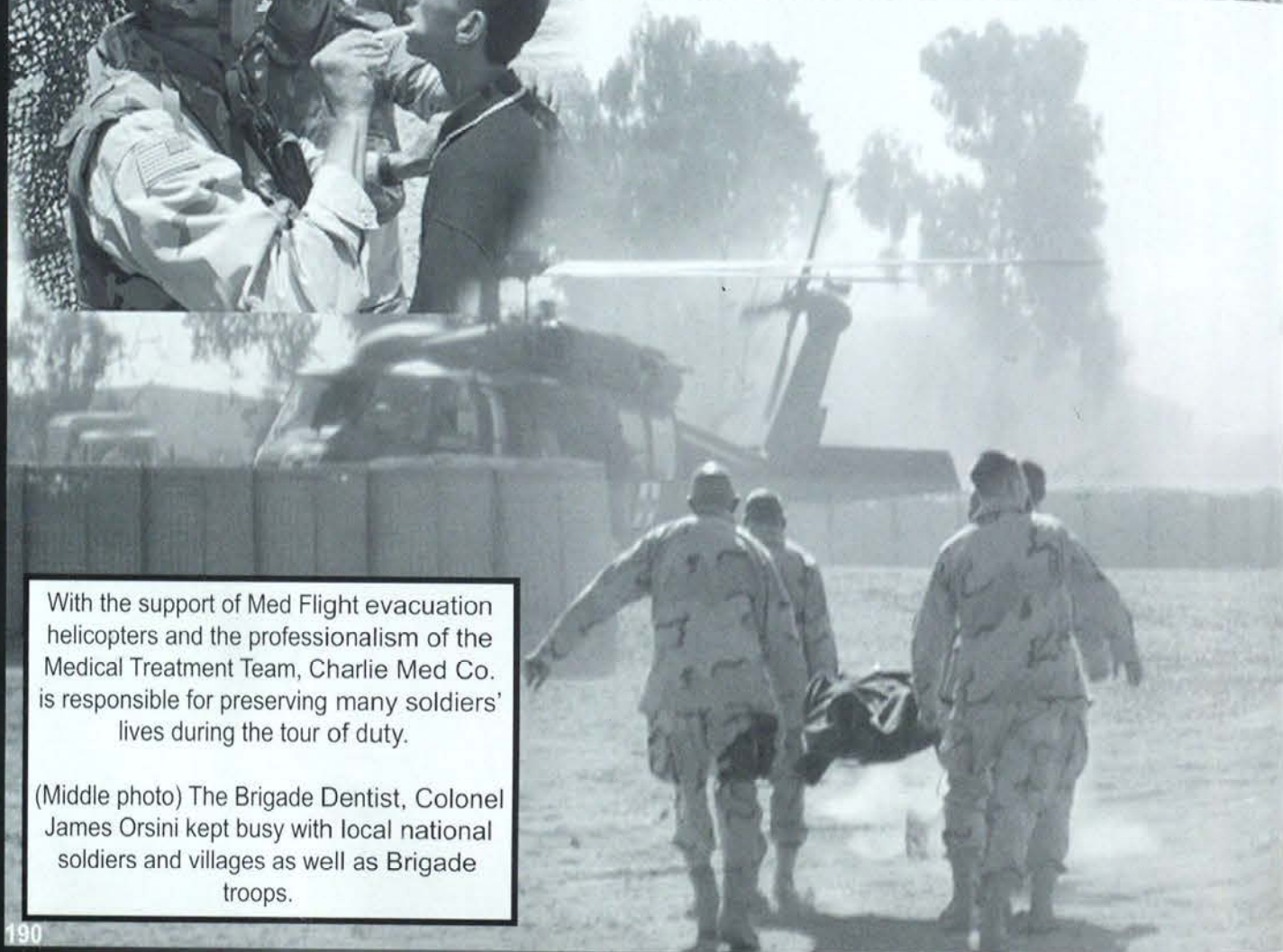
Middle Right: SSG Alan McCray stands guard during a convoy.

Bottom Left: SSG Charles Webster poses for a picture after a long work day.

Bottom Right: CPT Theresa Coppock poses for a picture.







With the support of Med Flight evacuation helicopters and the professionalism of the Medical Treatment Team, Charlie Med Co. is responsible for preserving many soldiers' lives during the tour of duty.

(Middle photo) The Brigade Dentist, Colonel James Orsini kept busy with local national soldiers and villages as well as Brigade troops.

# 642nd Maintenance Company

## FIREWALKERS



The Land of Enchantment is home to the 642<sup>nd</sup> Maintenance Company out of Las Cruces, New Mexico. This unit has deployed to all the American wars including the Spanish American War in 1898. The 642<sup>nd</sup>'s history dates back to Teddy Roosevelt's "Roughriders."

"FIREWALKERS!" Often yelled out in the wee morning hours, at Ft. Hood, TX and Ft. Polk, LA, is the unit's call sign.

*Firewalker* comes from the Native American Culture. It is basically about faith. This unit is very strong in its faith. The unit's "Firewalker" is depicted by a Kokopelli, who is a joker, prankster, and magician in the Native American culture. It was said that he performs magic in all his missions and tasks.

The 642<sup>ND</sup> MTNC unit was made up of soldiers from all parts of New Mexico and from several different units around the state which included: 3631<sup>st</sup> Maintenance Co., HQ Stark out of Santa Fe, NM; HHD 111<sup>th</sup>, 1/111<sup>th</sup>, 316<sup>th</sup> out of Rio Rancho, NM; 2/200<sup>th</sup> ADA out of Albuquerque, NM; 1/200<sup>th</sup> and 3/111<sup>th</sup> of Roswell, NM; 1/202 out of Las Cruces, NM and 3/200 from Silver City, NM. The 642<sup>nd</sup> even had some soldiers serving with the 39<sup>th</sup>'s 1/153<sup>rd</sup>.

The cultures and backgrounds, which included Native American, American and Mexican, made this unit unique. They grew together through this deployment, and helped each other to deal with all trials of this tour. The unit's chain of command included: Company Commander, CPT Randy Remiker, 1<sup>st</sup> Sergeant Juan Perez and the Executive Officer, 1LT Michael Martinez.

The 642<sup>nd</sup>'s mission in Iraq was to provide Organizational and Direct Support to the 39<sup>th</sup> Brigade Combat Team. In addition, they established and operated the 39<sup>th</sup> Brigade Interment Facility (BIF) in Theatre. CPT Remiker stated, "The mission went extremely well, and the unit fully integrated with the 39<sup>th</sup> Support Battalion with elements incorporated throughout the 39<sup>th</sup> Brigade in support of the Calvary's mission."

The company's operation of the 39<sup>th</sup> BIF scored highest among all the BIF's in Theatre. 1<sup>st</sup> Sergeant Perez stated, "I was surprised at the missions we received. Being a maintenance unit and operating a BIF was never expected. The soldiers received training and adapted well to the duty while supporting the 39<sup>th</sup> Brigade. The soldiers did an outstanding job!"

The 642<sup>nd</sup> adapted and overcame the task handed to them in Iraq and became well known throughout Theatre for their high achievements with the BIF and for helping Arkansas' Bravo Company 39<sup>th</sup> SPT BN make history, being one of the top maintenance Companies, completing the most work orders with the least amount of parts in the maintenance shops around Iraq.

The 642<sup>nd</sup> made a huge impact in the efforts of reconstructing Iraq. They understood that the sacrifices they made then will make a difference in the world we leave to our children.

The 642<sup>ND</sup> was a unit full of soldiers of faith who did the jobs they were called to do. As we say in the army, "Hooah!" to the 642<sup>nd</sup> and all the other companies who served in Iraq, Godspeed with all your missions ahead.



### FIREWALKERS!



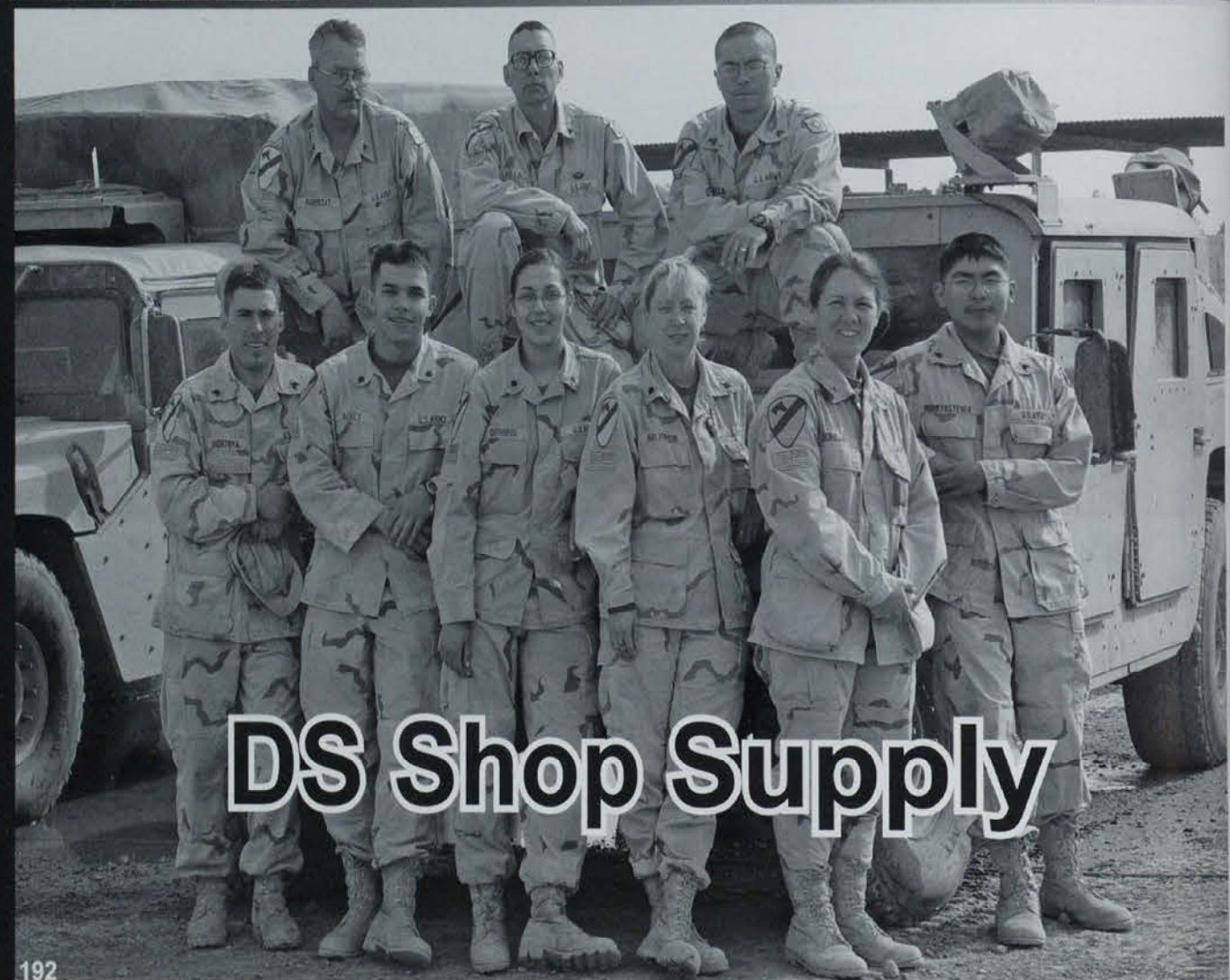


# Headquarters Platoon



# 642nd Maintenance Company

## DS Shop Mechanics



## DS Shop Supply

## 1st/153rd Green Zone 642nd Detachment



## Maintenance Team

# Secret Service Guards



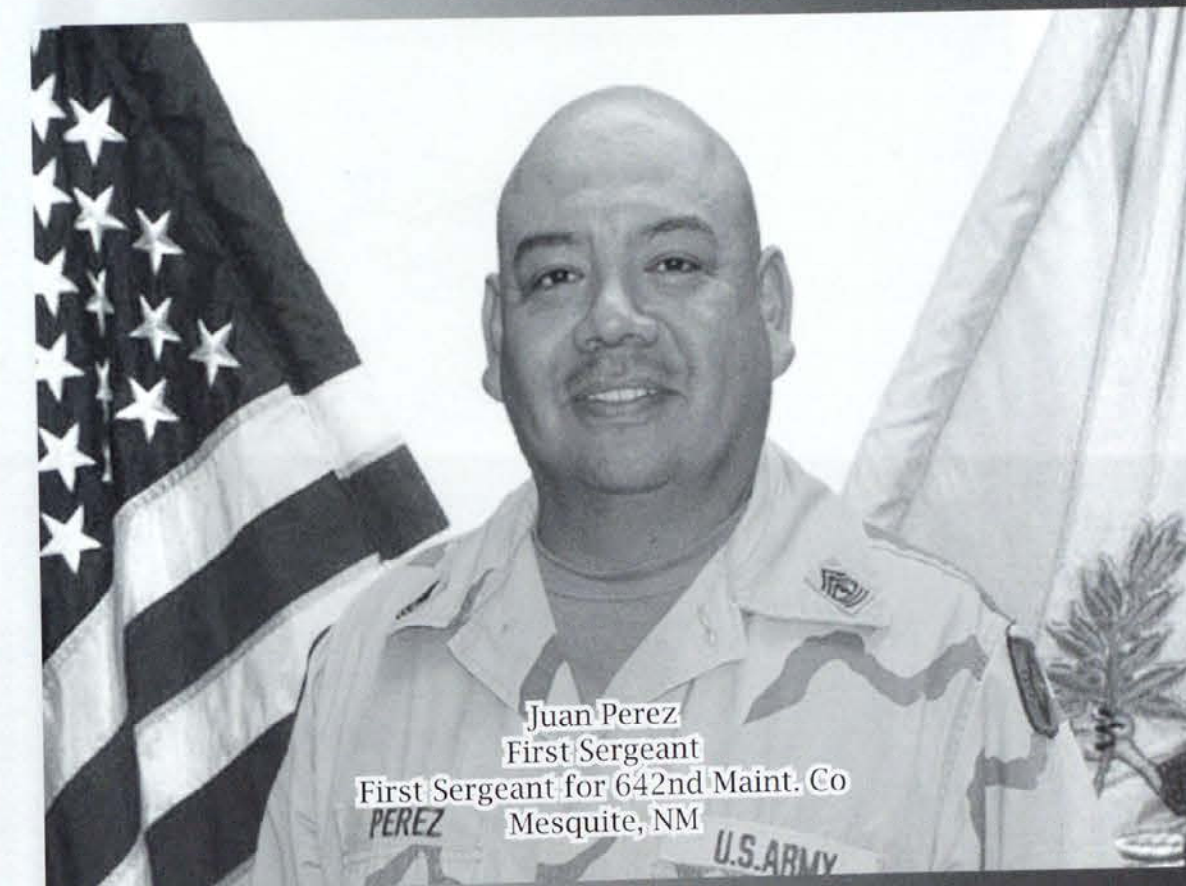
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# 642nd Command



Randy Remiker  
Captain  
Commander of 642nd Maint. Co  
Albuquerque, NM



Juan Perez  
First Sergeant  
First Sergeant for 642nd Maint. Co  
Mesquite, NM

# 642nd Soldiers



**Francisco Jacob Archuleta**  
Specialist  
Detention Center Guard  
Taos, NM



**Jerome R. Array**  
Staff Sergeant  
Supply Specialist  
Las Cruces, NM



**Jerome R. Array Jr.**  
Specialist  
Supply Specialist  
Las Cruces, NM



**Thomas Scott Ashton**  
Sergeant  
Food Service/RTO  
Albuquerque, NM



**Michelle L. Concha**  
Sergeant  
Unit Clerk  
Las Vegas, NM



**Juan Luis Contreras**  
Specialist  
Detention Center Guard  
Safford, AZ



**Susan Elizabeth Dungan**  
Chief Warrant Officer 2  
Supply Technician  
El Paso, TX



**Manuel Sanchez-Frias III**  
Chief Warrant Officer 3  
Auto Maintenance Tech.  
Las Cruces, NM



**Jose Antonio Baca**  
Sergeant First Class  
Shop Foreman  
Hatch, NM



**Phillip Wesley Baca**  
Sergeant  
Detention Center Guard  
Santa Clara, NM



**Efren Canas**  
Sergeant  
1/153 Infantry  
Silver City, NM



**James Manuel Cardenas**  
Specialist  
Detention Center Guard  
Hidalgo, NM



**Desiree Yvonne Casas**  
Specialist  
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Las Cruces, NM



**Raymond D. Chavez**  
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All Wheel Mechanic  
Placitas, NM



**Jacob Matthew Gonzales**  
Specialist  
Detention Center Guard  
Las Cruces, NM



**Jesse Anthony Grijalva**  
Sergeant  
Detention Center/Evidence  
Las Cruces, NM



**Paul Gurule**  
Specialist  
Mechanic  
Cajillon, NM



**Norman August Habersat**  
Staff Sergeant  
Supply Specialist  
Roswell, NM

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Las Vegas, NM



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Las Cruces, NM



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Las Cruces, NM



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Food Service Specialist  
Albuquerque, NM

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**Cindy Lee Halverson**  
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Detention Center Guard  
Alamogordo, NM



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Motor Pool Sergeant  
Santa Fe, NM



**Mejia Luis Enrique Hernandez**  
Sergeant  
Detention Center NCOIC  
Albuquerque, NM



**Evan Paul Honeystewa**  
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Supply Specialist  
San Fidel, NM



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Maintenance Shop Foreman  
Espanola, NM



**Rogelio Maldonado Jr.**  
Staff Sergeant  
Training NCO  
Anthony, NM



**Ismeal L. Marinez**  
Sergeant  
Light Wheel Mechanic  
Tierra Amarilla, NM



**James T. Martinez**  
Sergeant  
Detention Center Guard  
Canjilon, NM



**Julie G. Howell**  
Specialist  
Detention Center Guard  
Las Cruces



**Marvyn Vernon Jaramillo**  
Sergeant  
Detention Center NCOIC  
La Madera, NM



**Jose Luis Juarez**  
Sergeant  
Detention Center Guard  
Santa Fe, NM



**John A. Lopez**  
Specialist  
All Wheel Mechanic  
Albuquerque, NM



**Manuel Lopez**  
Staff Sergeant  
Shop Leader  
Las Cruces, NM



**Patrick Darren Lucero**  
Sergeant First Class  
Artillery Support  
Alamogordo, NM



**Abel Juan Mendoza**  
Sergeant  
Supply Specialist  
Las Cruces, NM



**Rene Zebec Montalvo**  
Sergeant First Class  
Company Supply Sergeant  
Alamogordo, NM



**Charles William Montoya III**  
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Supply Specialist  
Las Cruces, NM



**Samantha Marie Ontiveros**  
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Las Cruces, NM



**Larry Martinez**  
Sergeant  
All Wheel Mechanic  
Silver City, NM



**Michael Joseph Martinez**  
1st Lieutenant  
Executive Officer  
Roswell, NM

# 642nd Soldiers

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Detention Center Guard  
Las Cruces, NM



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Santa Fe, NM



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Mechanic  
Mesquite, NM



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NBC/NGO  
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Detention Center Guard  
Las Cruces, NM



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Detention Center Clerk  
Laguna Pueblo, NM



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Sergeant  
Detention Center NCOIC  
Espanola, NM



Gabriel D. Rodriguez  
Sergeant  
All Wheel Mechanic  
Deming, NM



Jose Alfredo Saenz  
Sergeant  
Welder  
Las Cruces, NM

# 642nd Soldiers



Christopher D. Sandoval  
Staff Sergeant  
Communications Repairer  
Santa Fe, NM



Davonna Stoner-Thomas  
Specialist  
Detention Center Guard  
Truth or Consequences, NM



Jose Reyes Toledo  
Specialist  
Detention Center Guard  
Jemez, NM



Cathy Julie Topahe  
Sergeant  
Detention Center Clerk  
Curtlan, NM



Steven J. Torez  
Specialist  
Detention Center Guard  
Las Cruces, NM



Bobby F. Trujillo  
Specialist  
Public Affairs Asst.  
Santa Fe, NM



Raul Vazquez  
Master Sergeant  
Detention Center Evidence NCOIC  
El Paso, TX



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Specialist  
Detention Center Guard  
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Urbano Delgado Villagran  
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Katrina Yazzie  
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## Recovered Weapons Cache



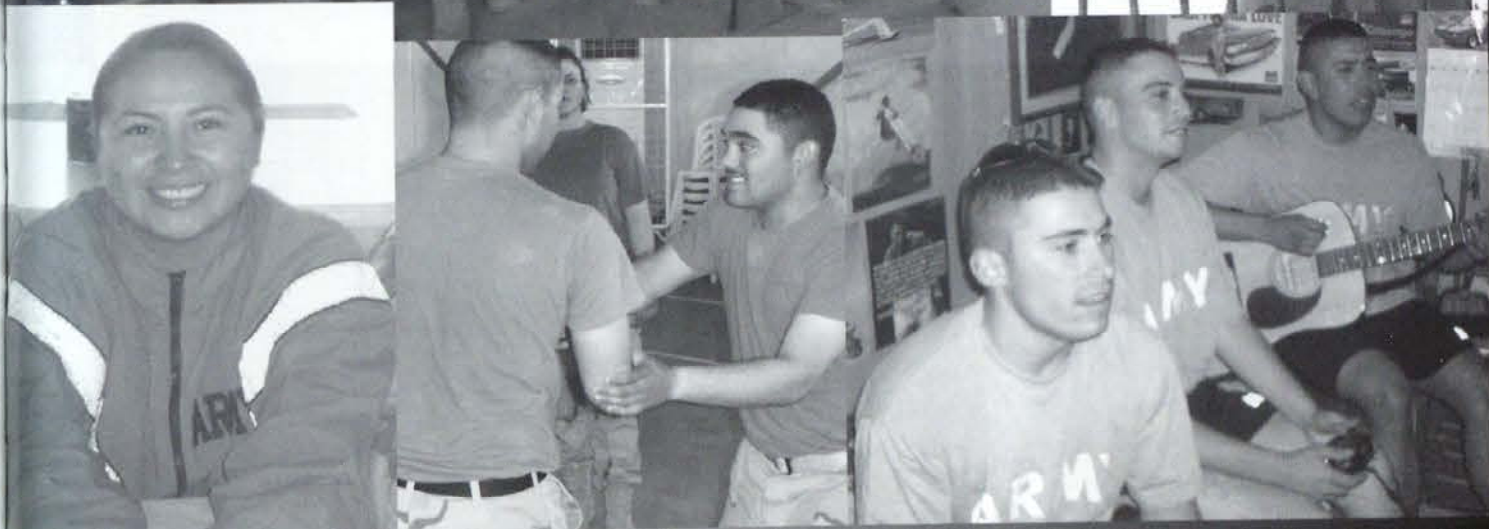
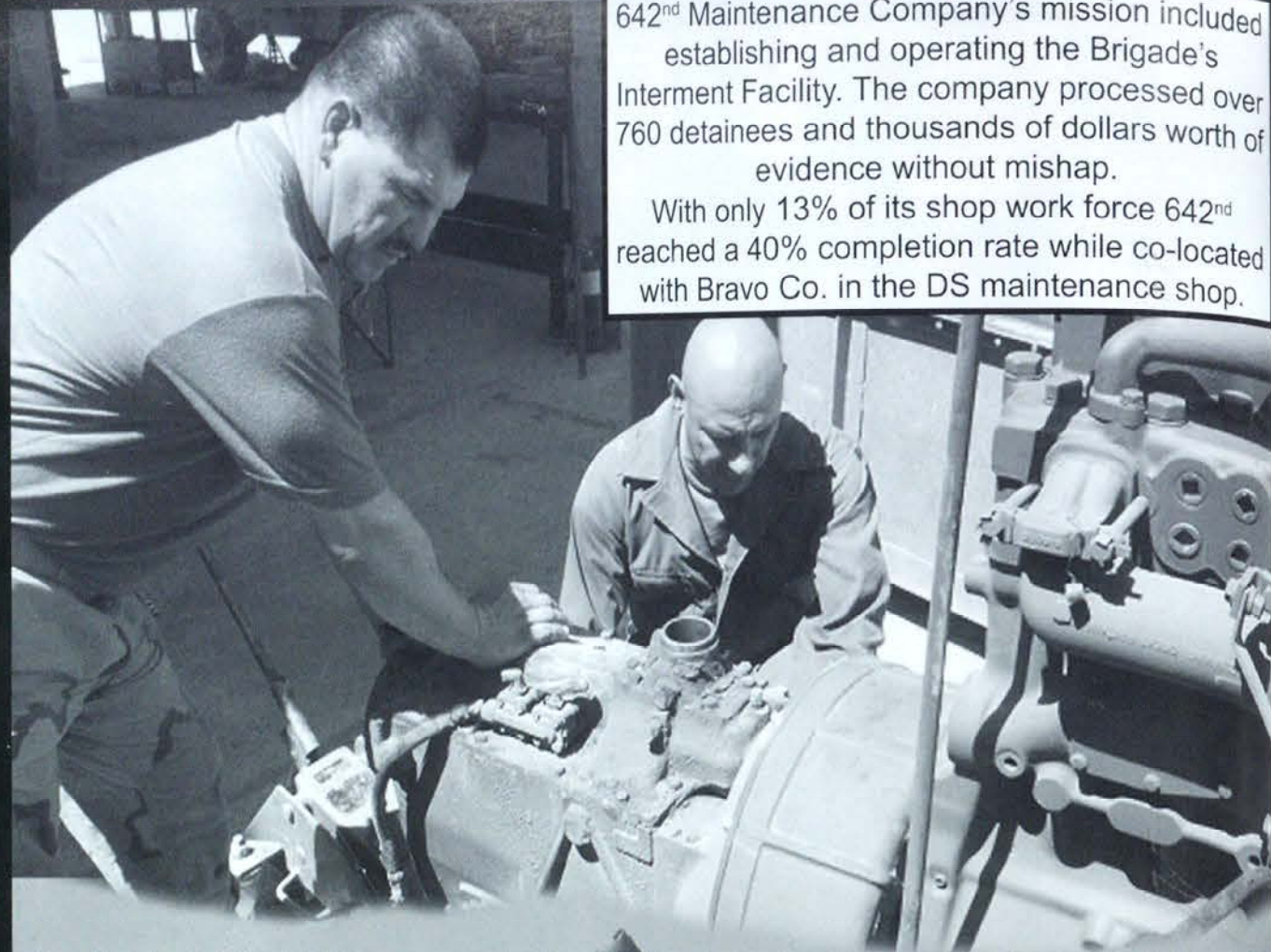
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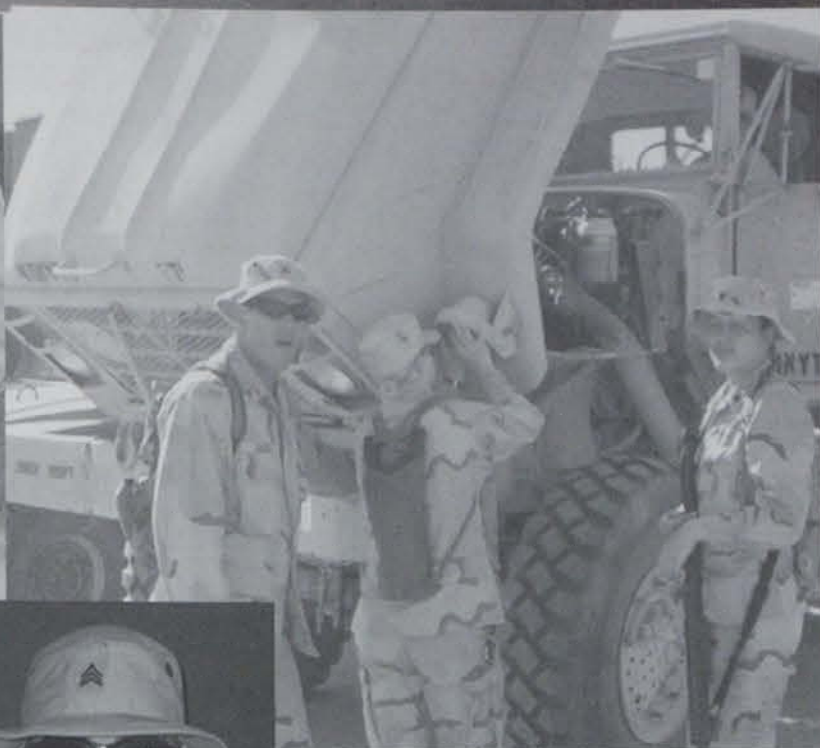
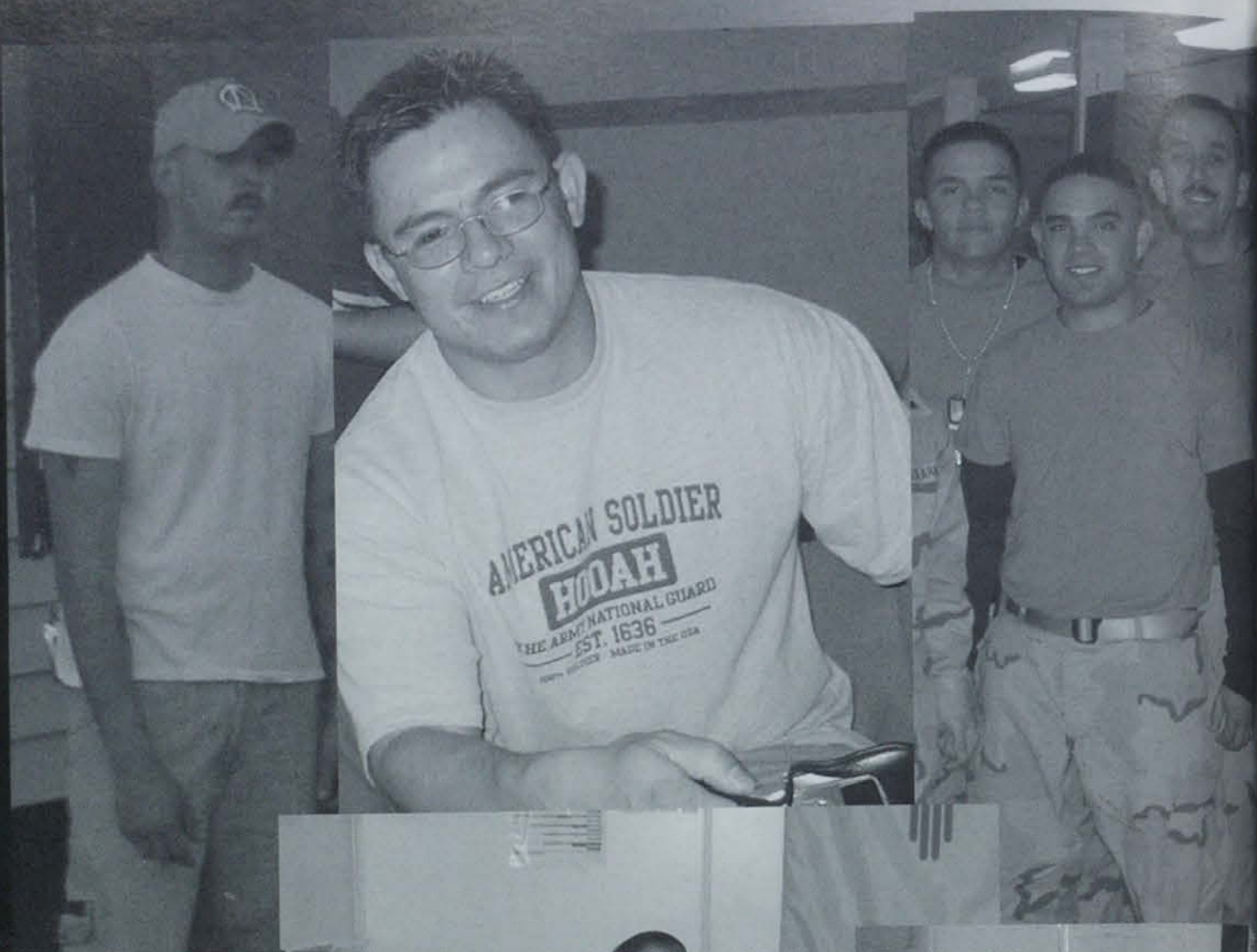




642<sup>nd</sup> Maintenance Company's mission included establishing and operating the Brigade's Interment Facility. The company processed over 760 detainees and thousands of dollars worth of evidence without mishap. With only 13% of its shop work force 642<sup>nd</sup> reached a 40% completion rate while co-located with Bravo Co. in the DS maintenance shop.







Left: SGT Kathy Topahe enters the gates at the Detention Center.

Middle: The Detention Center break room is where SPC Davonna Stoner-T, SPC Julie Howell, SGT James Otero, SPC Kay Yazzie, SPC Larry Lewis chat before going on shift.

Below: SPC Desiree Casas poses at her desk in the Command Post of the Detention Center.



Upper Left: SPC Jose Toledo poses for the camera.

Upper Right: SPC Jacob Gonzales enters the Detention Center.

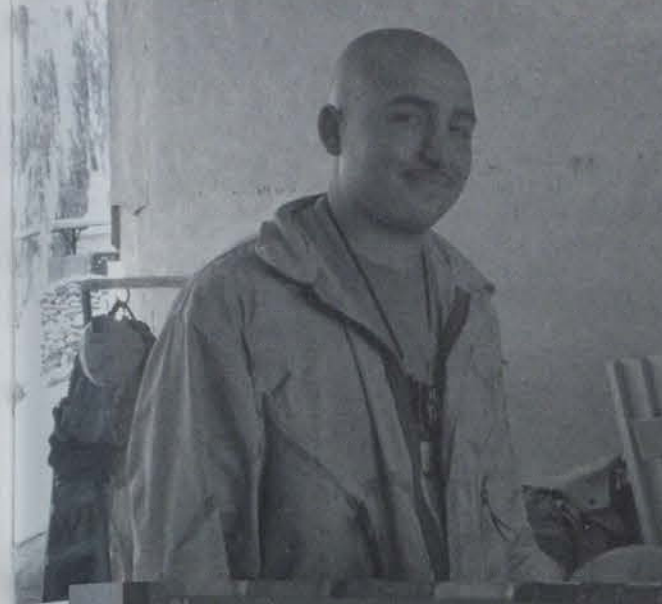
Middle: SGT Gerardo Guzman-Garcia, SPC Juan Vigil, SPC Juan Contreras, SGT Jesse Grijalva talk with the oncoming shift.

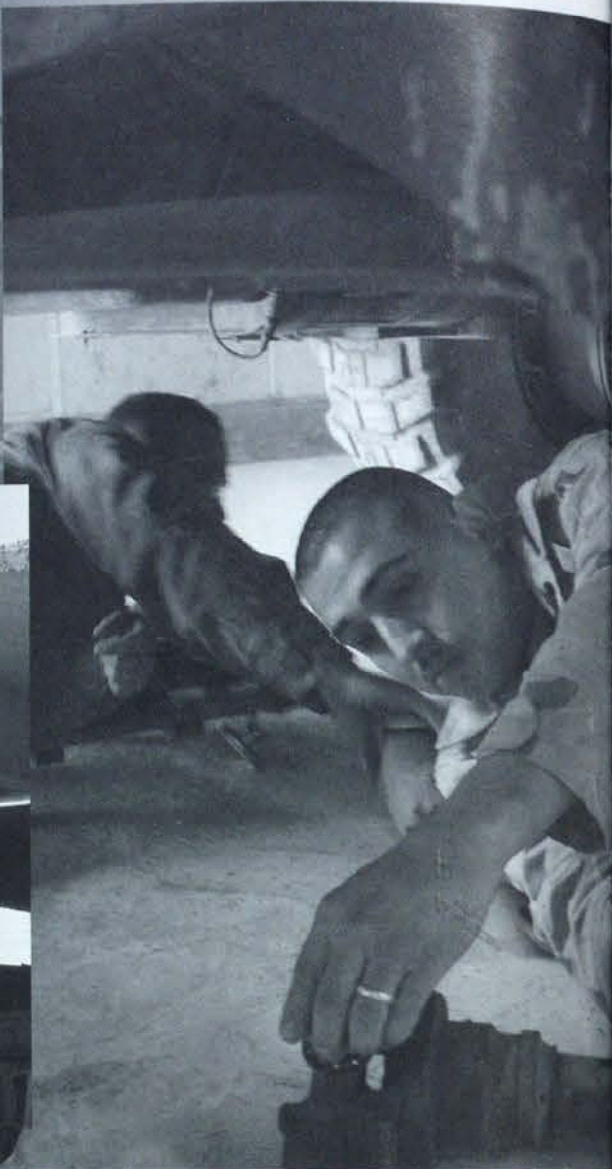
Lower Left: SGT Marvyn Jaramillo, SOG of the Facility

Lower Right: SGT Eugene Rodella, SOG of the Facility.



# Detention Center

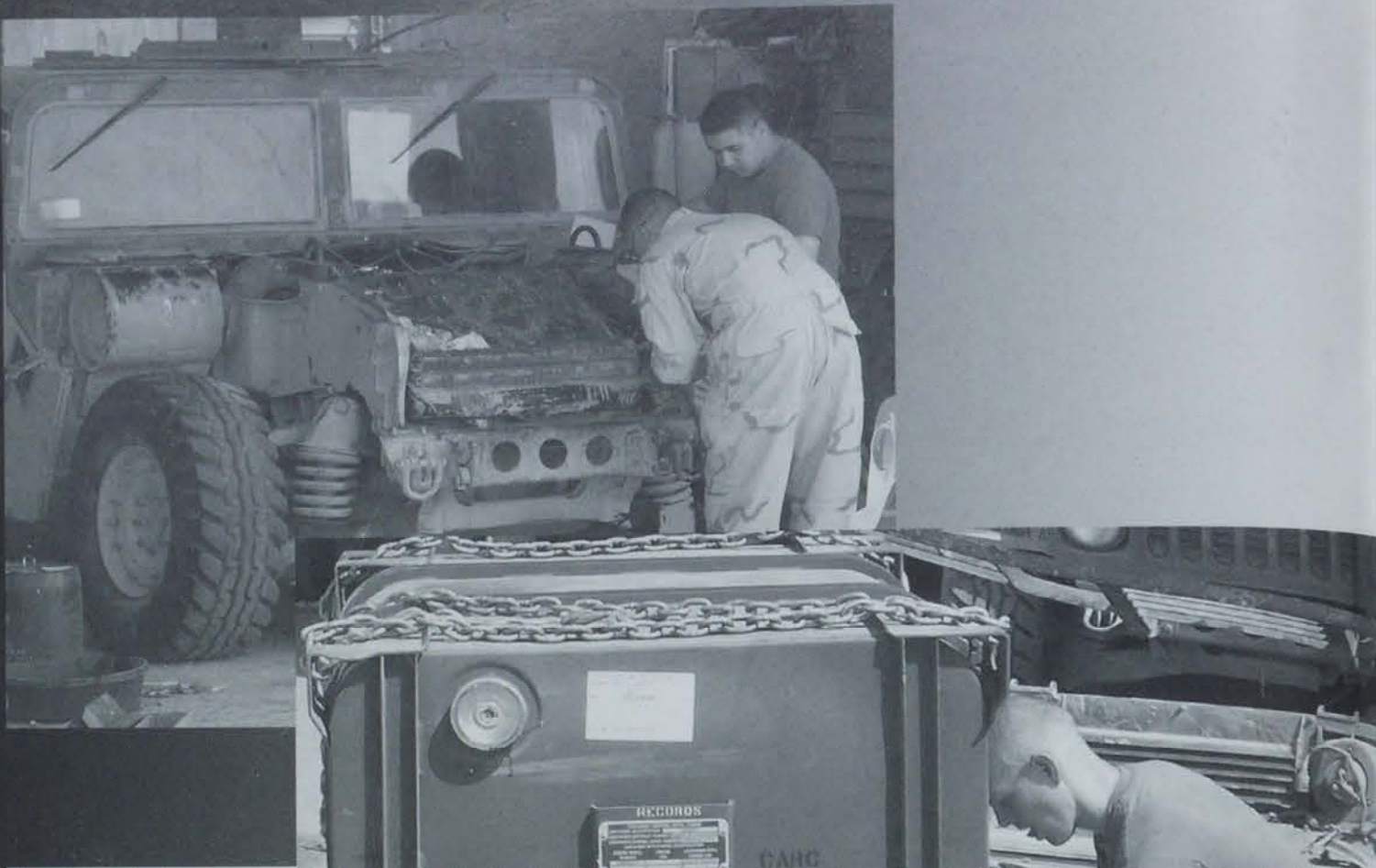




Above: SGT Larry Martinez and SGT Gabriel Rodriguez install an engine on a 5 ton truck.  
Below: SSG Ray Chavez and SPC John Lopez get there hands dirty with the wires in a HMWV.



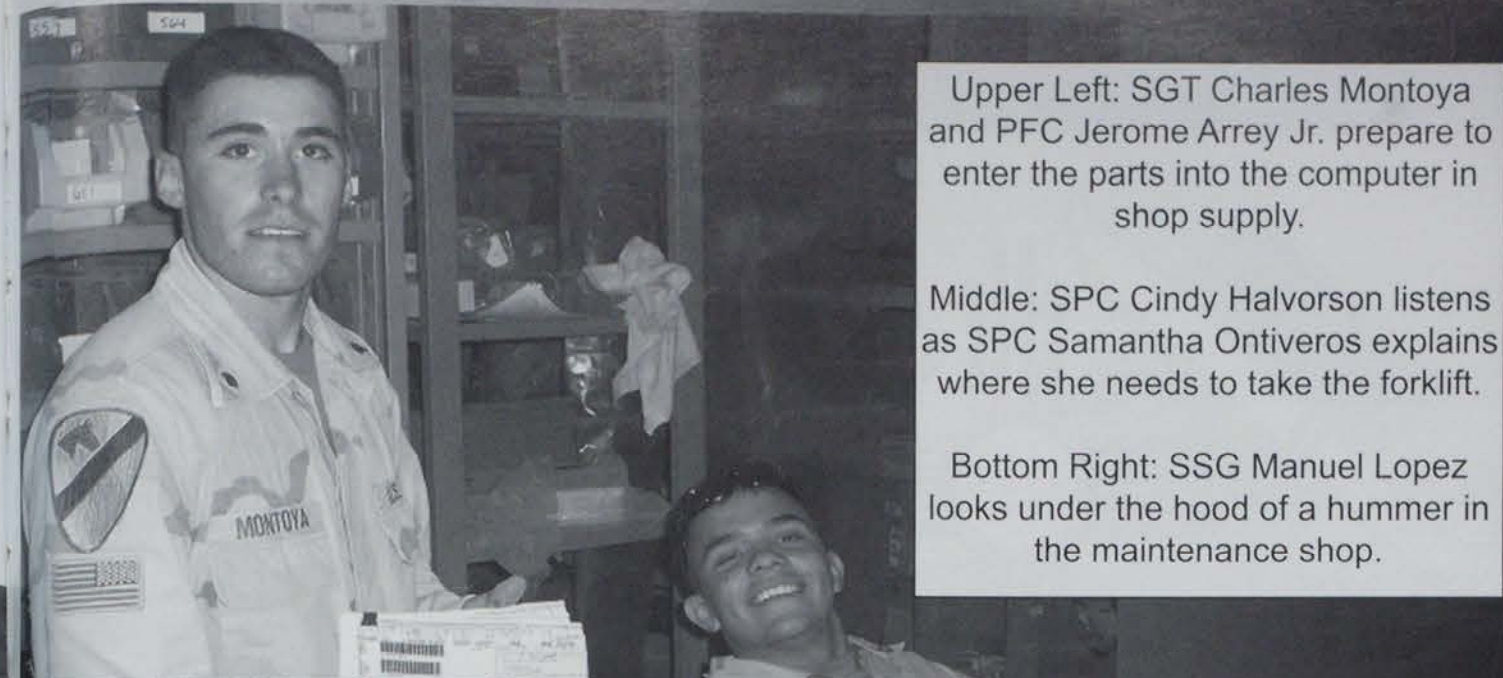
Upper Left: CW2 Susan Dungan inspects a box in the Tech Supply Section.  
Middle Left: SFC Jose Baca checks on his mechanics.  
Middle Right: SGT Felipe Perez Jr. puts a U-joint on a HMWV driveshaft.  
Bottom Right: SSG Habersat works on the SAMS computer in the Shop Office.



Upper Left: SGT Charles Montoya and PFC Jerome Arrey Jr. prepare to enter the parts into the computer in shop supply.

Middle: SPC Cindy Halvorson listens as SPC Samantha Ontiveros explains where she needs to take the forklift.

Bottom Right: SSG Manuel Lopez looks under the hood of a hummer in the maintenance shop.



Above: SPC Paul Gurule watches as SPC John Lopez takes off a bolt from the front end of a Hummer.

Middle: SPC Wood packs up an engine.

Bottom Left: SFC Jose Baca the Shop Foreman for 642<sup>nd</sup>.

Bottom Right: CW3 Manuel Frias works under a HMWVV.





# 1115TH TRANSPORTATION COMPANY



# On the Road Again

By: Specialist Bobby Trujillo



On the highways and guard towers in Iraq is where you found the 1115<sup>th</sup> Transportation Company. This unit is from Taos, NM. Like the 642<sup>nd</sup>, it is made up of many soldiers from all over the State of New Mexico which includes: Santa Fe, Mora, Penasco, Questa, Dixon, Clayton, Gallup, Albuquerque, Roswell and Farmington. There were seventy-one soldiers from the 39<sup>th</sup> Support Battalion's Alpha Company which helped to make up the 1115<sup>th</sup>'s strength of 171 soldiers. Some soldiers were attached to the 27 MSB who also served in Iraq.

The 1115<sup>th</sup> Transportation Company has a long tradition that goes far beyond being a transportation company. The 1115<sup>th</sup> began as the 200<sup>th</sup> Coast Artillery back in 1941. The unit was selected to go on an overseas mission 75 miles north of the Manila, Philippine Islands. Their mission was to provide protection for the airfield. Unfortunately some soldiers were taken prisoners of war. These POW's survived

the Battle of Bataans' "Death March" and other humiliating acts at the POW camps. Upon returning home the unit brought with them three Distinguished Unit Citations and the Philippine Presidential Citation as well. The 1115<sup>th</sup> was again called up for the Korean Conflict, and in the Vietnam Conflict they were primarily used for a civil activation. This company has helped local authorities control riots at State Universities and in 1980, when New Mexico had its worst prison riot in the States' history, the 1115<sup>th</sup> was called to help. In 1983 the unit became an Air Defense Artillery unit and became a member of the 5<sup>th</sup> Battalion 200<sup>th</sup> ADA "Roland". This was the first time a National Guard unit had conducted an initial new material fielding of a major weapons system for the United States Army. In 1988 they moved from the "Roland", due to budget cuts, to become the Chaparral Missile Battery of the 6<sup>th</sup> Battalion. Another change came in 1994 when they converted into a Stinger Missile Battery. They adapted and continued with their primary mission of Air Defense. Finally in 1996 they became the 1115<sup>th</sup> Transportation Company. This new assignment was a big change due to retraining for soldiers as 88M's (truck drivers) and acquiring new equipment. They began wearing the Transportation Corp Wheel and distinguishing themselves during missions such as: "Operation Golden Cargo", "Operation War Fighter", JRTC Rotations and numerous organic transportation missions throughout the State.



The unit's Chain of Command includes: Company Commander, CPT Pia Romero, 1<sup>st</sup> Sergeant Les Martinez and Company Executive Officer, 1<sup>st</sup> Lieutenant Brian White. CPT Romero stated about her unit's mission: "Force Protection was our main mission, providing a small contingent for Division's Distribution Center and an emphasis on transportation missions in support of the 39<sup>th</sup> Support Battalion."

The transportation company acquired the duty, upon their arrival in Iraq, manning the guard towers. They also rotated platoons into the transportation missions as well. SFC Rael was on the Duty Platoon which was in charge of transportation missions. "I feel things went well," SFC Rael stated about the mission. "It wasn't what we expected, but it wasn't that bad until it got cold at night."

Being the largest company element in the SPT BN, with a variety of missions, the unit still maintained it's integrity. "We have unity and we stick together," SFC Rael said about his unit.



As the enemy's threat continued, with long days of extreme temperatures and dust filtering through every crack making working conditions miserable, this historic unit continued on with its missions in Iraq of standing guard, transporting personnel and supplies while supporting one another. That's the character of the 1115<sup>th</sup>.

They are a proven asset to the National Guard, and now part of the biggest deployment since Vietnam, as the 1115<sup>th</sup> TRANS continue to answer the Nation's call.



# HEADQUARTERS PLATOON



# 2ND PLATOON



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# 3RD PLATOON

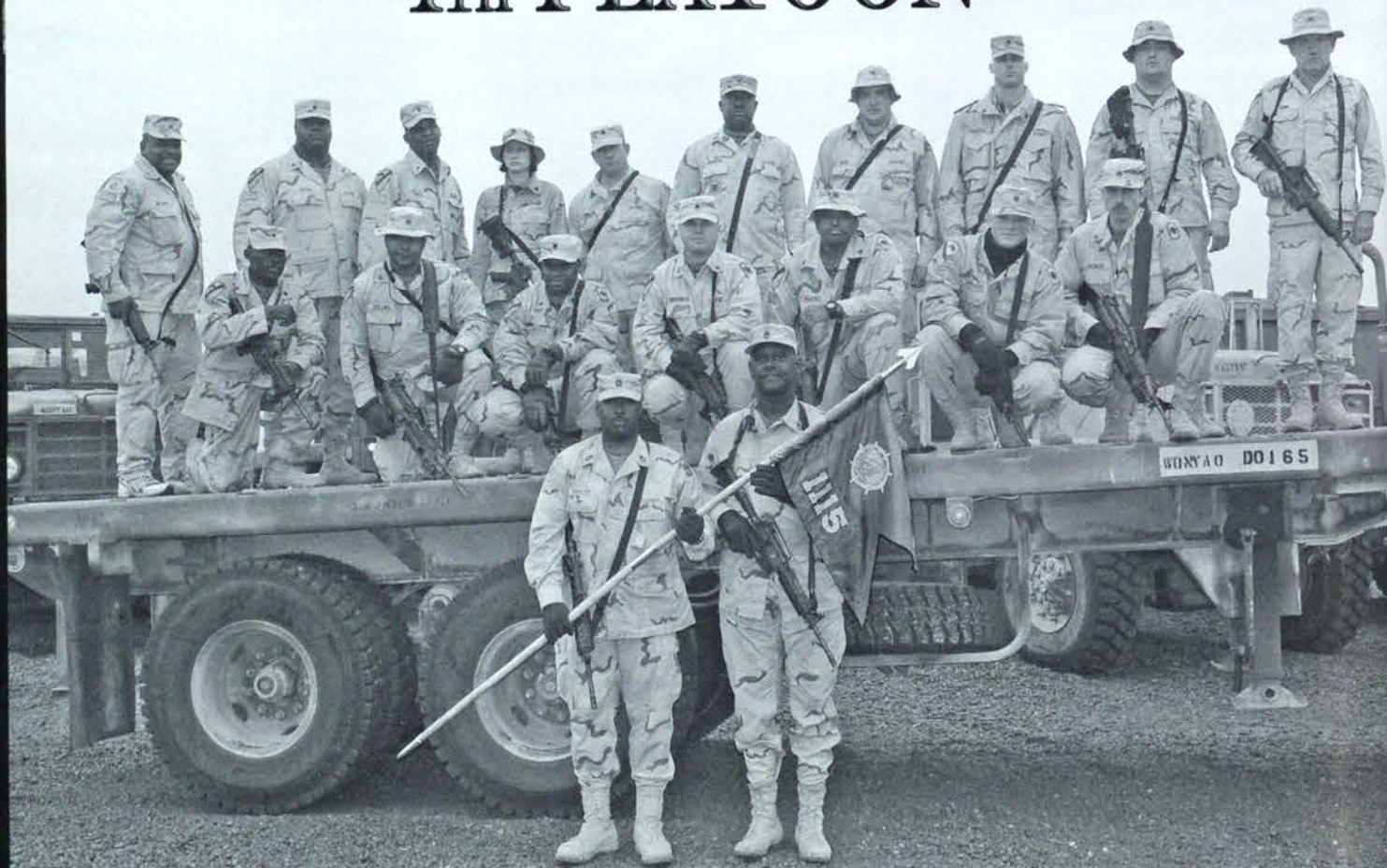




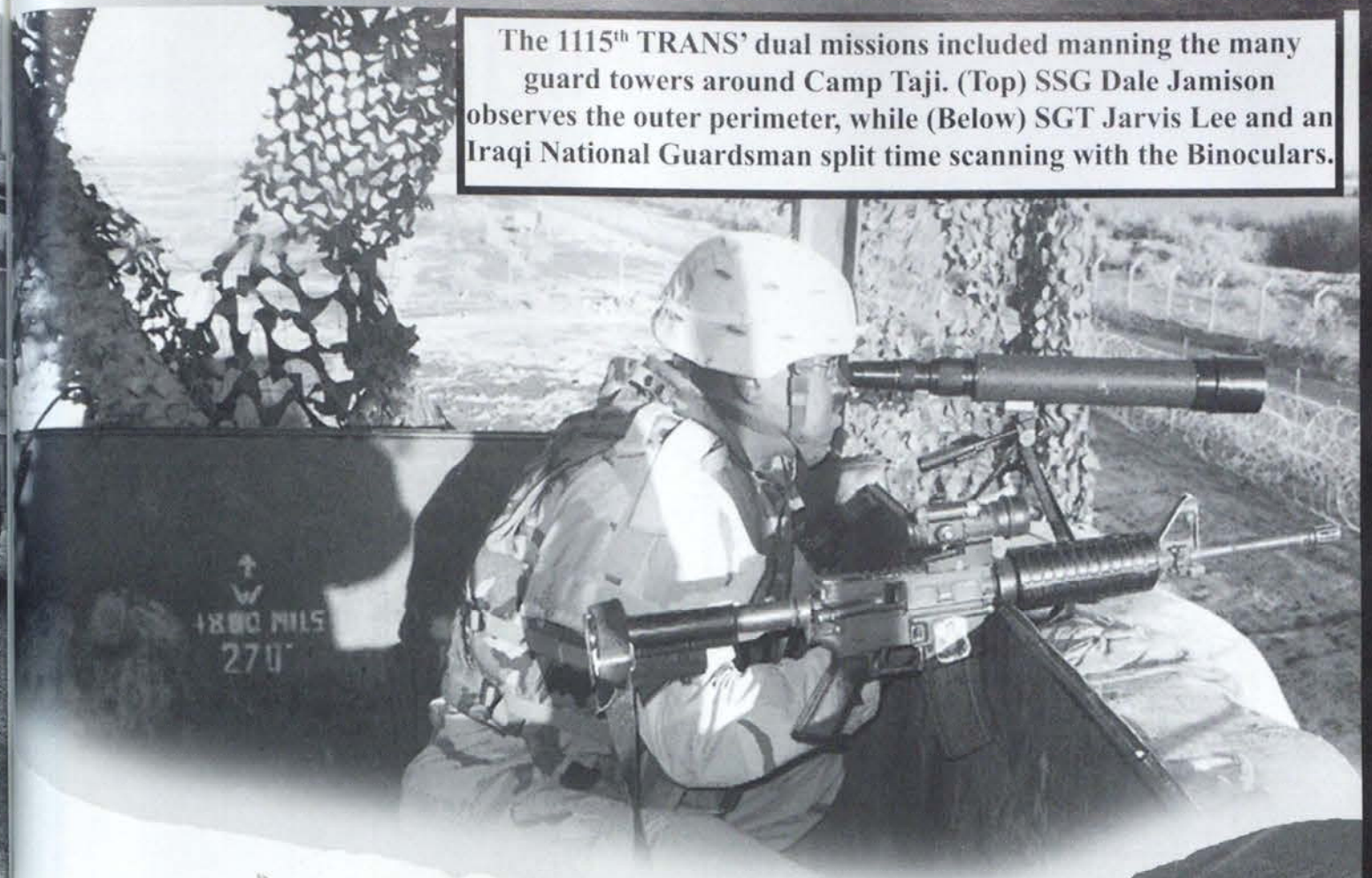
# 3RD PLATOON



# 4TH PLATOON



The 1115<sup>th</sup> TRANS' dual missions included manning the many guard towers around Camp Taji. (Top) SSG Dale Jamison observes the outer perimeter, while (Below) SGT Jarvis Lee and an Iraqi National Guardsman split time scanning with the Binoculars.





# 1115th Command



Pia Romero  
Captain  
Commander of 1115th Transportation Company  
Embudo, NM



Leslie Martinez  
First Sergeant  
First Sergeant for 1115th Transportation Company  
Questa, NM

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Mitchell Allen  
Specialist  
Truck Driver  
Jacksonville, AR



Joseph Allwood  
Specialist  
Forklift Operator  
Conway, AR



Lavon Amerson  
Private First Class  
Truck Driver/Force Protection  
Little Rock, AR



Paul Aragon  
Specialist  
Force Protection  
Taos, NM



Carlos Ruben Archuleta  
Specialist  
Truck Driver  
Española, NM



Wayne J. Archuleta  
Staff Sergeant  
2nd Platoon Sergeant  
Dixon, NM



Danny Perry Atcitty  
Sergeant  
Forklift Operator  
Ft. Defiance, AZ



Henry Chris Atencio  
Specialist  
Force Protection  
Dixon, NM



Tiffini Latrice Ayers  
PV2  
Truck Driver  
Benton, AR



Francisco Alejandro Avina  
Sergeant  
Force Protection  
Taos, NM



Jameson R. Baker  
Specialist  
Truck Driver  
Española, NM



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Specialist  
Truck Driver/Force Protection  
Pine Bluff, AR



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Staff Sergeant  
Truck Driver  
Gallup, NM



Roddale Rodger Boone  
Staff Sergeant  
Truck Driver  
Zuni, NM



Brad A Belt  
Specialist  
Truck Driver/Force Protection  
Mulberry, AR



Melvin Ted Borrego  
Staff Sergeant  
NCOIC of Force Protection  
Española, NM



Ernest James Bennallie  
Staff Sergeant  
Truck Driver  
Querino Canyon, AZ



Joe F. Chacon  
Sergeant First Class  
Truck Master  
Penasco, NM



Allison Berger  
Specialist  
Truck Driver  
Little Rock, AR



William Chambers  
Specialist  
Truck Driver  
West Chaple, AR



Nelson Chee  
Specialist  
Truck Driver  
Gallup, NM



Julian P. Chino  
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Force Protection  
Albuquerque, NM



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Truck Driver  
Pine Bluff, AR



Dwayne Edward Collins  
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Gillett, AR



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Truck Driver  
Rio Rancho, NM



**Jordan Currie**  
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Force Protection  
Dewitt, AR



**Ernest Daniel Jr.**  
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Truck Driver/Force Protection  
Pine Bluff, AR



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Monticello, AR



**Listen Davis**  
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Truck Driver  
Gallup, NM



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Specialist  
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Pine Bluff, AR



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**Scott Earl**  
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Truck Driver  
Little Rock, AR



**William Estevan III**  
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Acoma Pueblo, NM



**Cody Fife**  
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Division Distribution Center  
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Nakaibito, NM



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Supply NCO  
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Gould, AR



**John Ryan Harrell**  
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Searcy, AR



**Arthur Lynn Harris**  
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Transportation Supervisor  
Little Rock, AR



**James Hartleb G. Hartman**  
Sergeant  
NBC NCO  
Gallup, NM



**David Hershman**  
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Force Protection  
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Gunner/Truck Driver  
Mora, NM



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Division Distribution Center  
Redfield, AR



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Truck Master  
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Training NCO  
Questa, NM



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Rudolfo Vargas  
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Truck Driver/Force Protection  
Colorado Springs, CO



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Truck Driver  
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Taos, NM



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Unit Maintenance Technician  
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Force Protection OIC  
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Blackwell, AR



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Private First Class  
Truck Driver/Force Protection  
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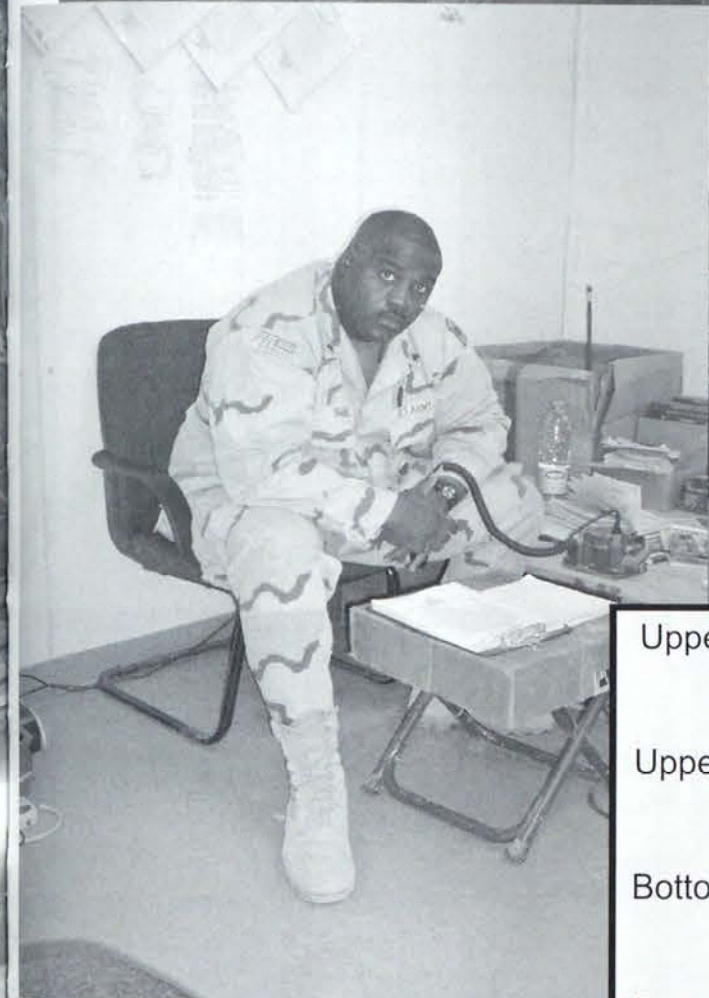
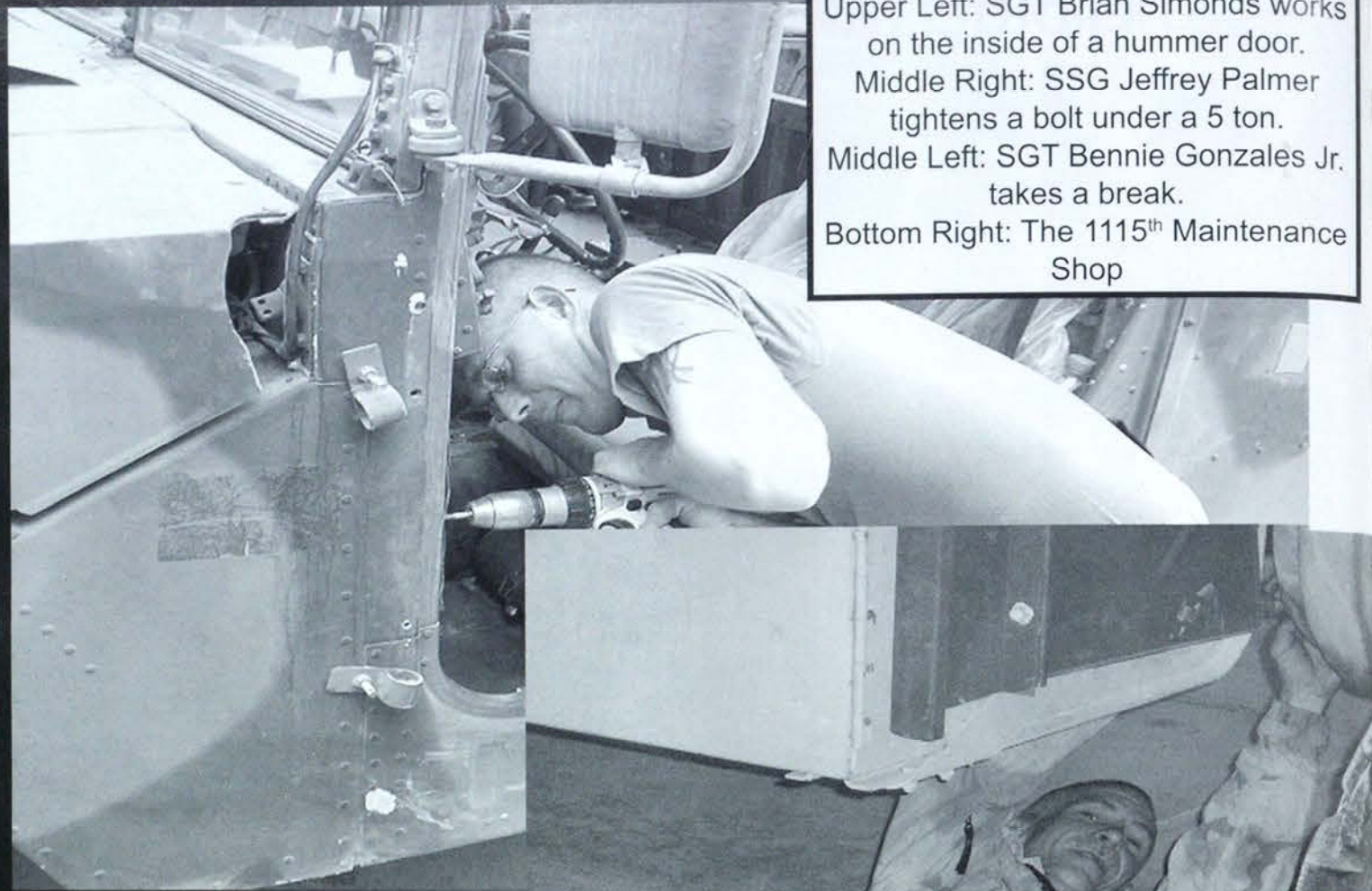


Tzonana Ocachi Xicotencatl  
Specialist  
Truck Driver  
Teec Nos Pos, AZ



Jason T. Young  
Sergeant  
Truck Driver  
Sherwood, AR

Upper Left: SGT Brian Simonds works on the inside of a hummer door.  
 Middle Right: SSG Jeffrey Palmer tightens a bolt under a 5 ton.  
 Middle Left: SGT Bennie Gonzales Jr. takes a break.  
 Bottom Right: The 1115<sup>th</sup> Maintenance Shop



Upper Left: SPC Monterey Herrera works the forklift at the RIC Lanes.  
 Upper Right: SPC Megan Rowe shows off her driving skills in a 5 ton.  
 Bottom Left: SGT Arthur Harris mans the radio in the Radio Room.  
 Bottom Right: SPC Richard Vaughn works under a 5 ton in the Maintenance Shop.



Upper Left: SGT Rupert Mitchell looks out of his tower for any thing out of the ordinary.

Upper Right: SSG Franklin Begaye and SSG Darrell House take time to pose while checking on their soldiers.

Middle: SGT Francisco Avina works along side and Iraqi National Guard member during his training phase.

Bottom Left: SPC Rufus Jackson mans his fighting position.

Bottom Right: SPC Shane Garnenez checks out the perimeter he is guarding.



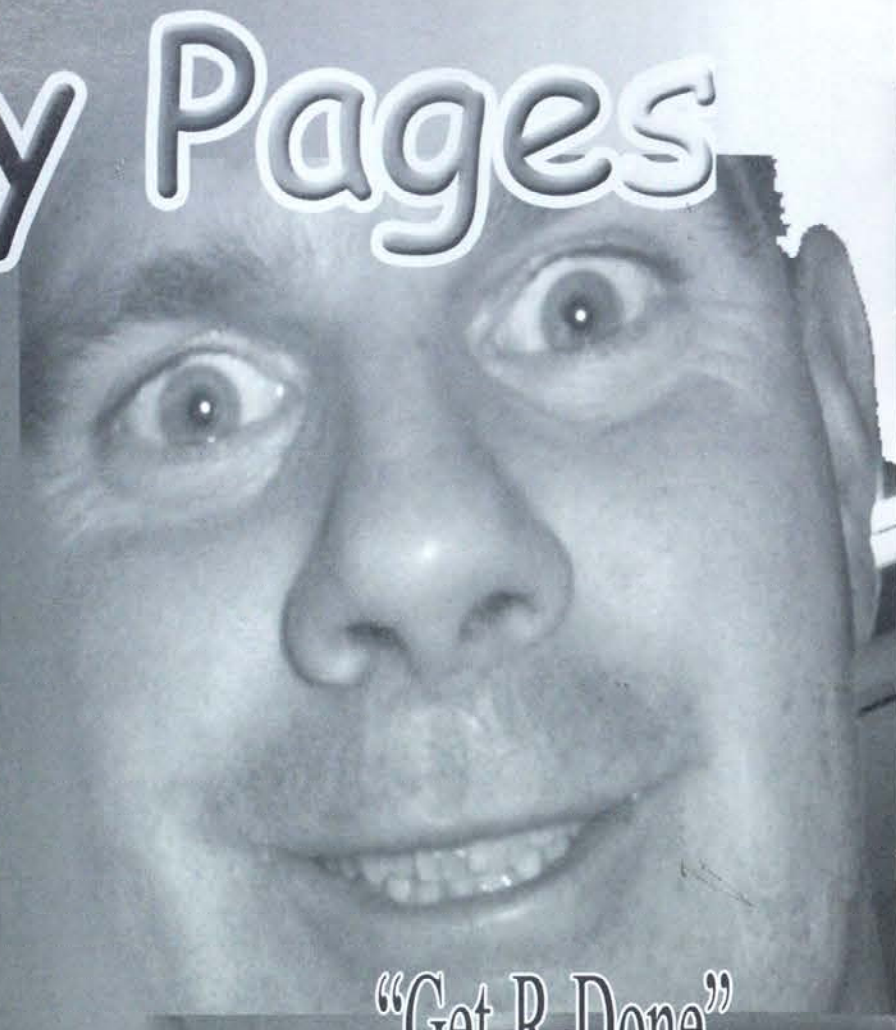




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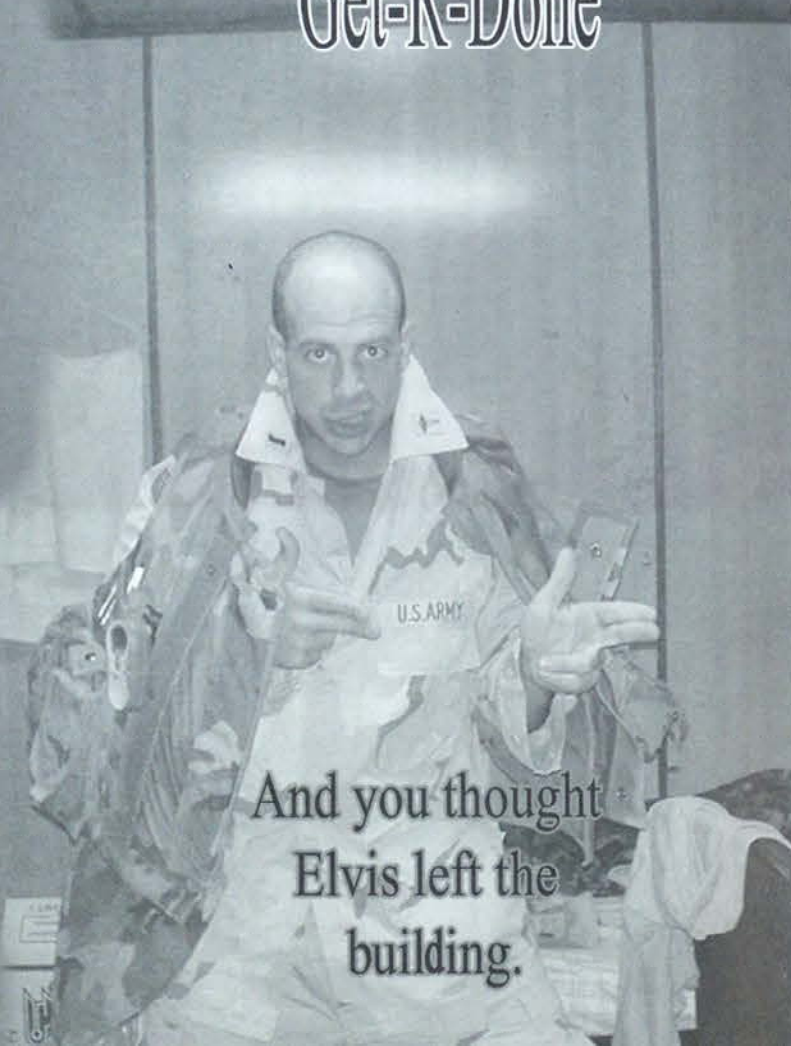
Is this smile big enough for ya!



Get-R-Done



I want to know which soldier tried to smuggle this past customs.

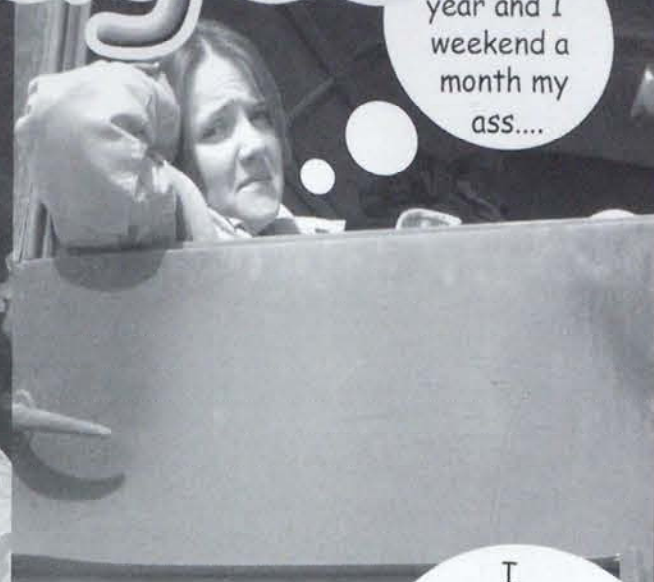


And you thought Elvis left the building.

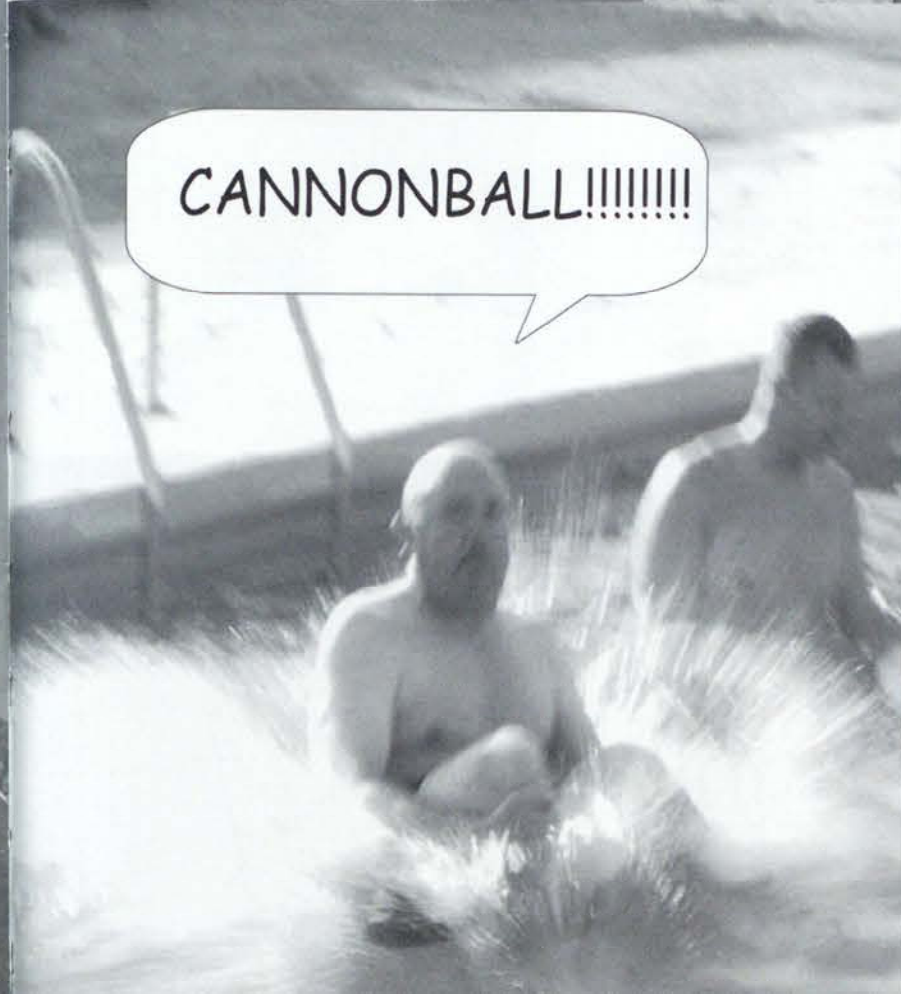
# Funny Pages



All this for a promotion



2 Weeks a year and 1 weekend a month my ass....



CANNONBALL!!!!!!

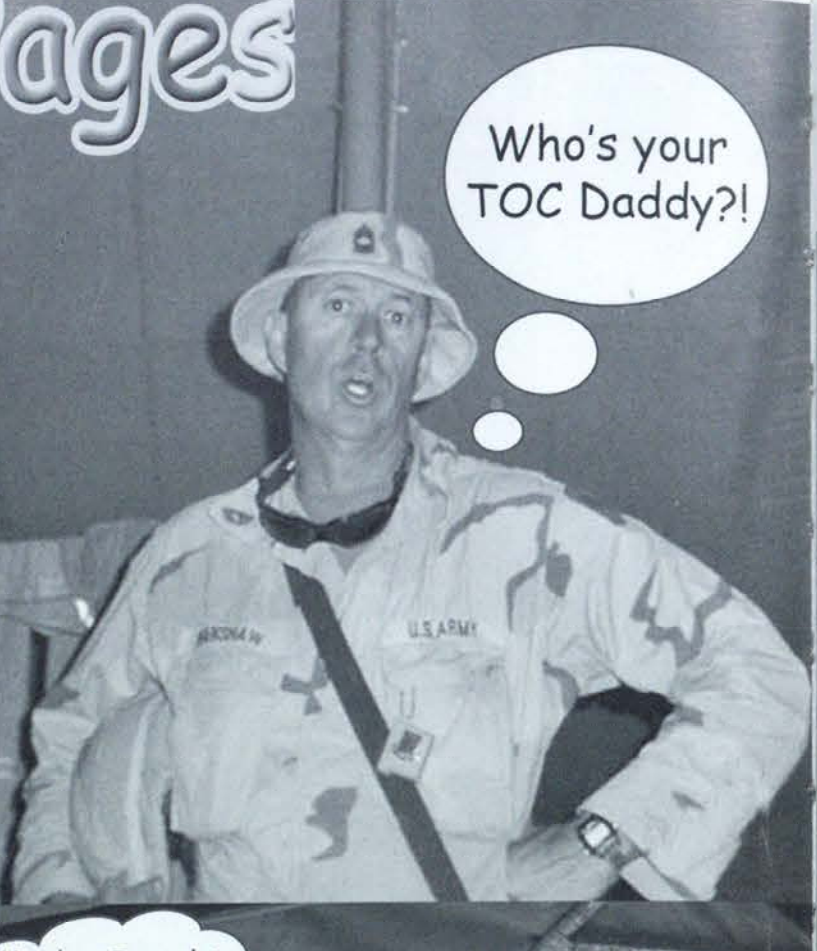


I can't seem to get off post to get to a hair stylist. Nobody cares...

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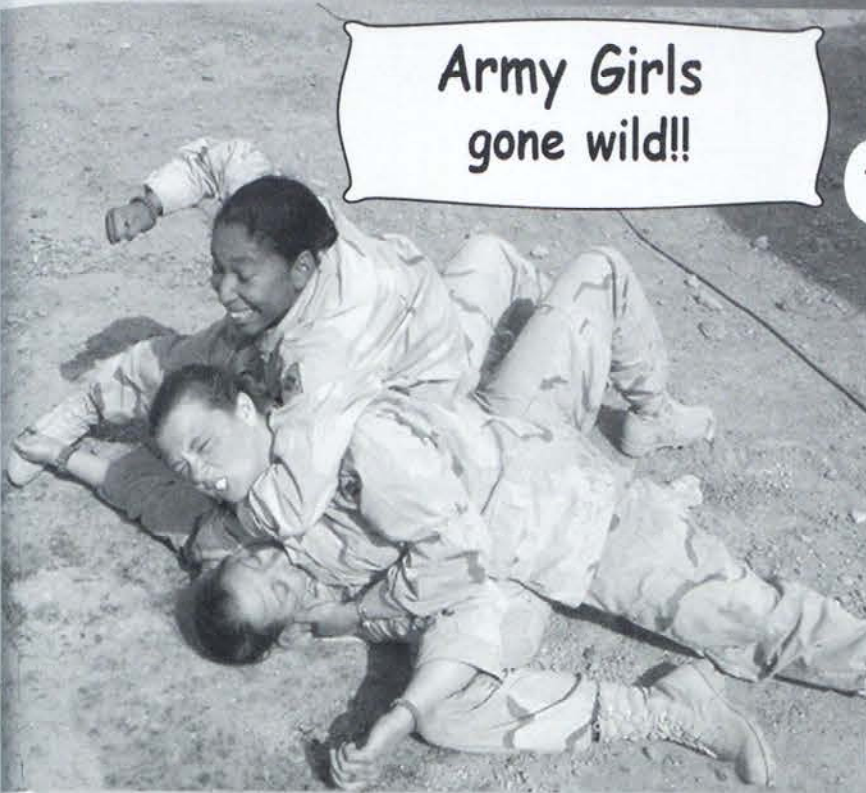


"I'll get you my pretty; and your little dog too!!!"

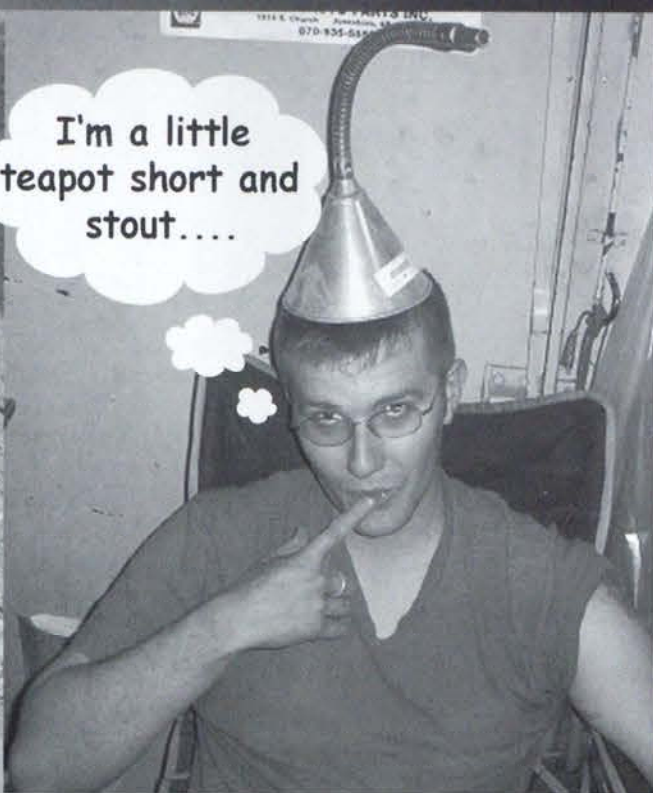


Who's your TOC Daddy?!

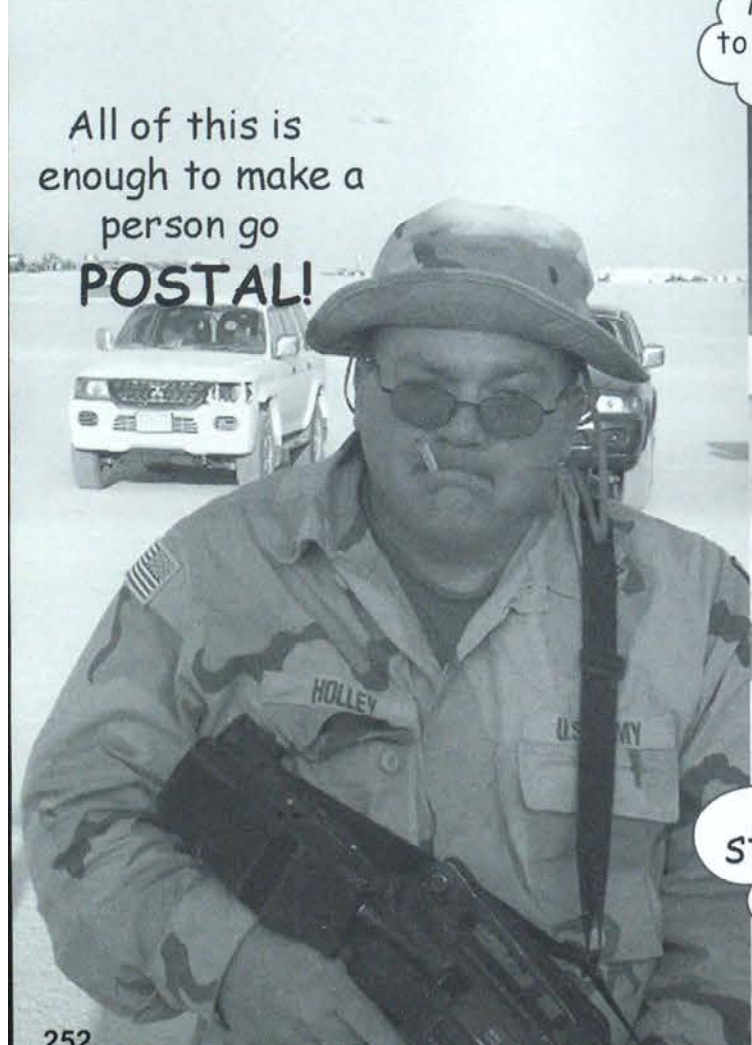
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Army Girls gone wild!!



I'm a little teapot short and stout....



All of this is enough to make a person go **POSTAL!**

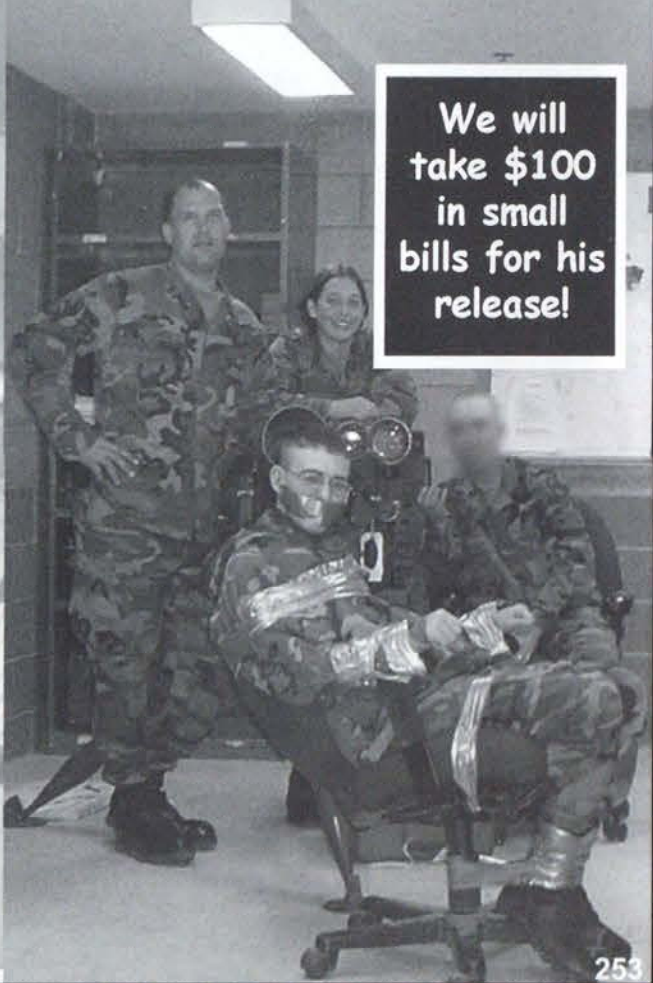


Maybe, I ought to do this myself.

He is gonna pay for all that stuff he said back when.....



Look Ma! He likes me! Can I bring him home?



We will take \$100 in small bills for his release!







# Sgt Dennis (Brad) Mayher The Mayher Family

Shannon

NANA - PAPA

MOM - POPS

**Thank-You  
For A Job  
Well Done**

Aunt Diane

Aunt Cheri

*Christa - Braden - Bradley*



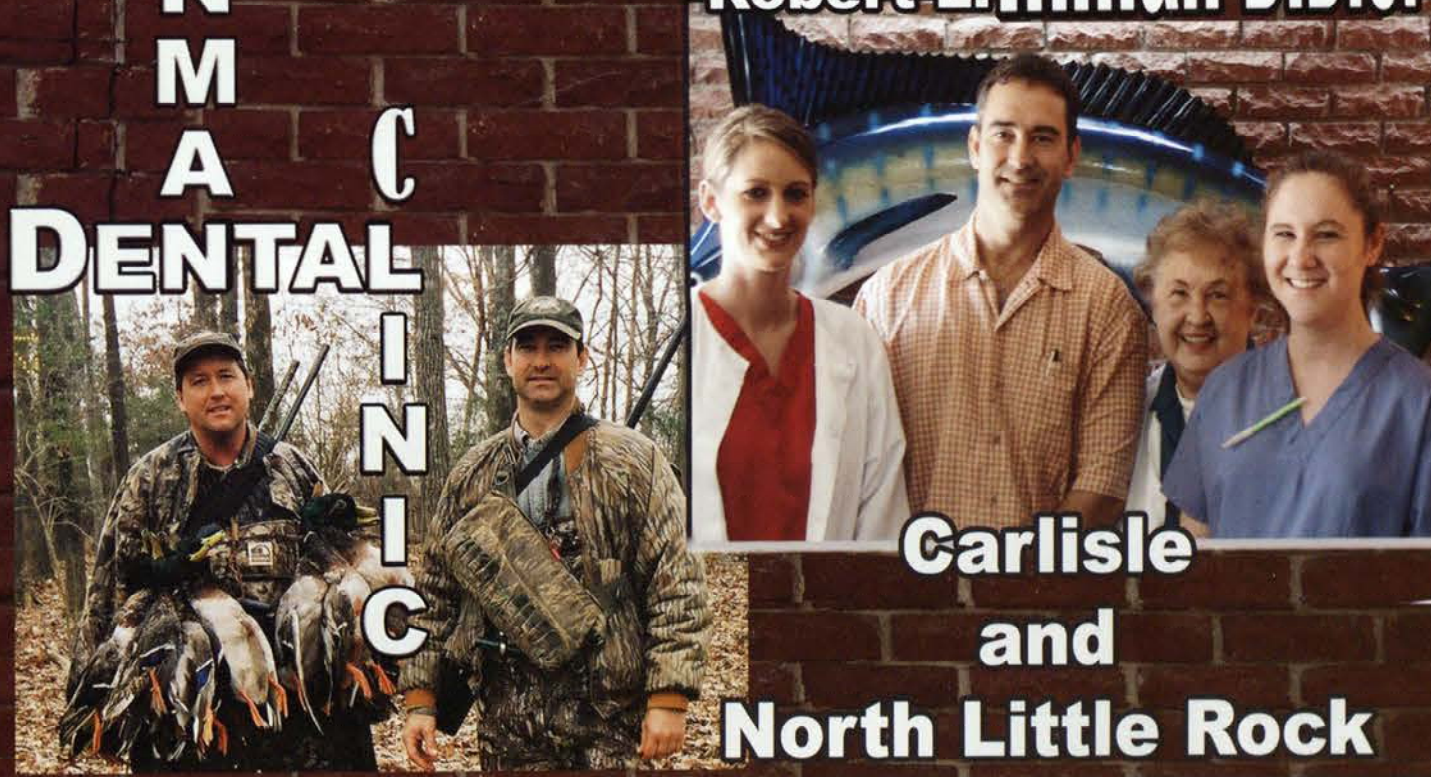
WE CAN WIRE MONEY ANYWHERE IN THE WORLD FOR YOU!  
WE NOW HAVE WESTERN UNION IN (STUTT GART ONLY)

102 E. 22nd  
**STUTT GART**  
7:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m.  
OPEN  
7 Days a week

Highway 70 West  
**CARLISLE**  
Monday-Saturday  
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Sundays 8:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.

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David B.  
Thomas G.  
Robert L. **Inman D.D.S.**



**Carlisle  
and  
North Little Rock**

# THE ARKANSAS NATIONAL GUARD FALLEN SOLDIER'S MEMORIAL MOTORCYCLE RIDE

BY CPT WENDELL TAYLOR

APRIL 24<sup>TH</sup> 2005  
LITTLE ROCK, AR

Over 3,000 participants and volunteers made this event an enormous success. From the beginning, at the Clear Channel Metroplex parking lot to the steps of the State Capitol, Arkansas riders extended huge support and gratitude to the families of our fallen Heroes and the 39<sup>th</sup> Brigade Combat Team.

Thank you  
ARKANSAS RIDERS!!



CW3 Dennis Bradley (bottom left) was the vanguard on organizing and coordinating this memorial ride of motorcycle enthusiast. They came from all over the state and some from other states who had Arkansas or 39<sup>th</sup> ties. Nonetheless they all rode in support of the remembrance of fallen American soldiers.







## 39TH BRIGADE FALLEN HEROES

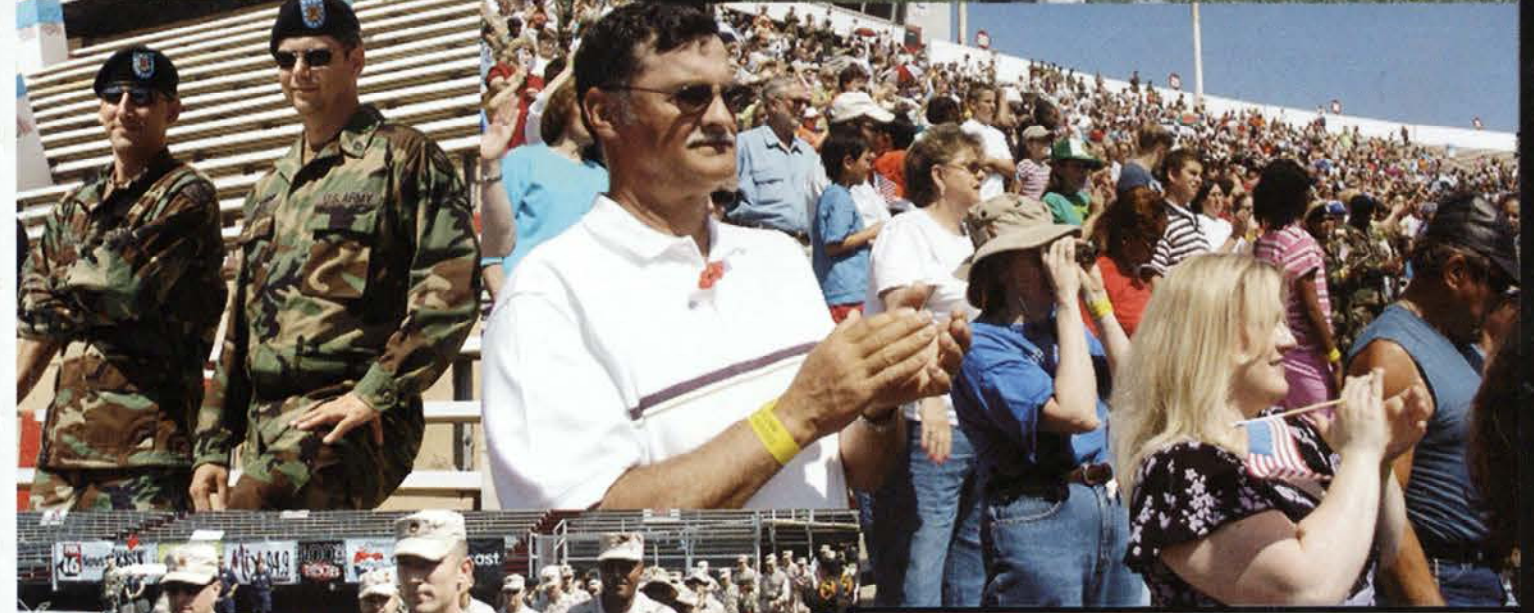


SFC WILLIAM W. LABADIE, JR	1LT ERIK S. MCCRAE	SPC RONALD W. BAKER
SGT FELIX M. DELGRECO	SPC ERIC S. MCKINLEY	SPC JOSE A. VELEZ
CW4 PATRICK W. KORDSMEIER	SSG GREGORY V. PENNINGTON	SPC DAVID L. ROUSTUM
CPT ARTHUR L. "BO" FELDER	PFC KEN W. LEISTEN	SGT MICHAEL A. SMITH
SSG STACEY C. BRANDON	SGT TOMMY L. GRAY	SPC ROBERT W. HOYT
SSG BILLY J. ORTON	PFC BRANDON R. SAPP	SPC JIMMY D. BUIE
SPC KENNETH A. MELTON	SGT BENJAMIN W. ISENBERG	SPC JOSHUA S. MARCUM
SSG HESLEY BOX, JR	SSG DAVID J. WEISENBURG	SPC JEREMY W. MCHALFFEY
SFC TROY L. MIRANDA	SPC DAVID W. JOHNSON	SPC LYLE W. RYMER II
SPC JUSTIN W. LINDEN	SGT RUSSELL L. COLLIER	SPC JEREMY Q. ALLMON
SGT JUSTIN L. EYERLY	SGT CHRISTOPHER S. FOTTS	SSG WILLIAM TERRY ROBBINS



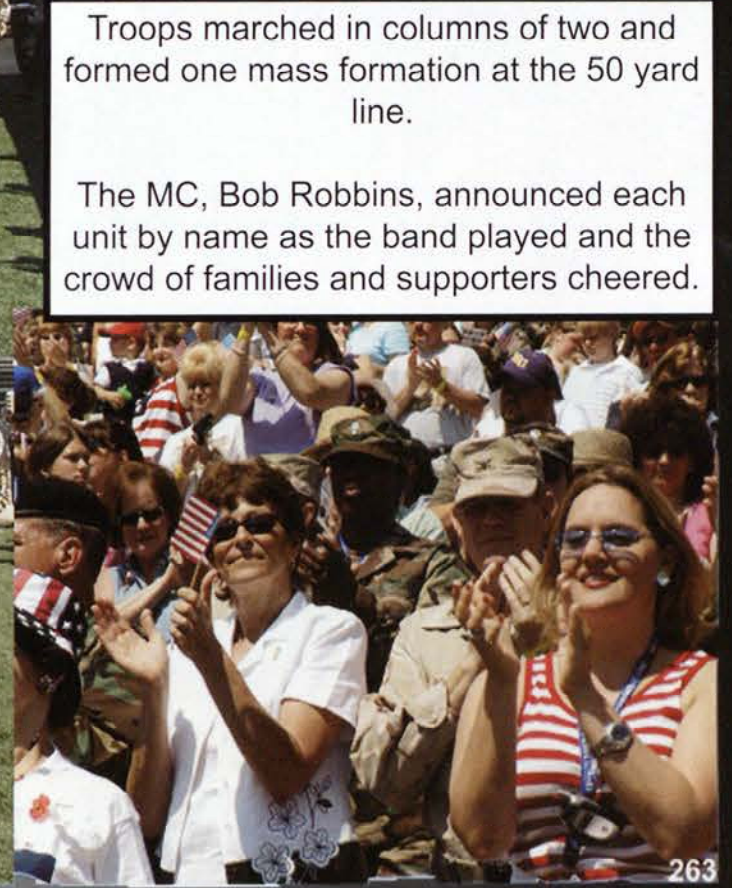
**WELCOME HOME!**

Nearly 20,000 Arkansans assembled at War Memorial Stadium to welcome home all Arkansas National Guard and Reserve men and women who deployed and served in post 9/11 missions. Each Branch of service was represented during this spectacular event on 12 May 2005.



Troops marched in columns of two and formed one mass formation at the 50 yard line.

The MC, Bob Robbins, announced each unit by name as the band played and the crowd of families and supporters cheered.



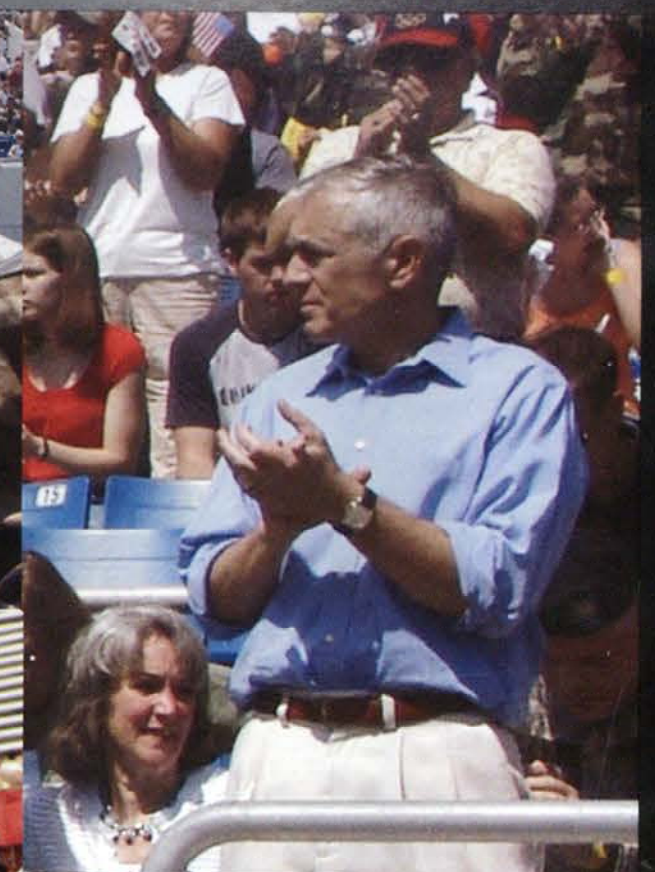


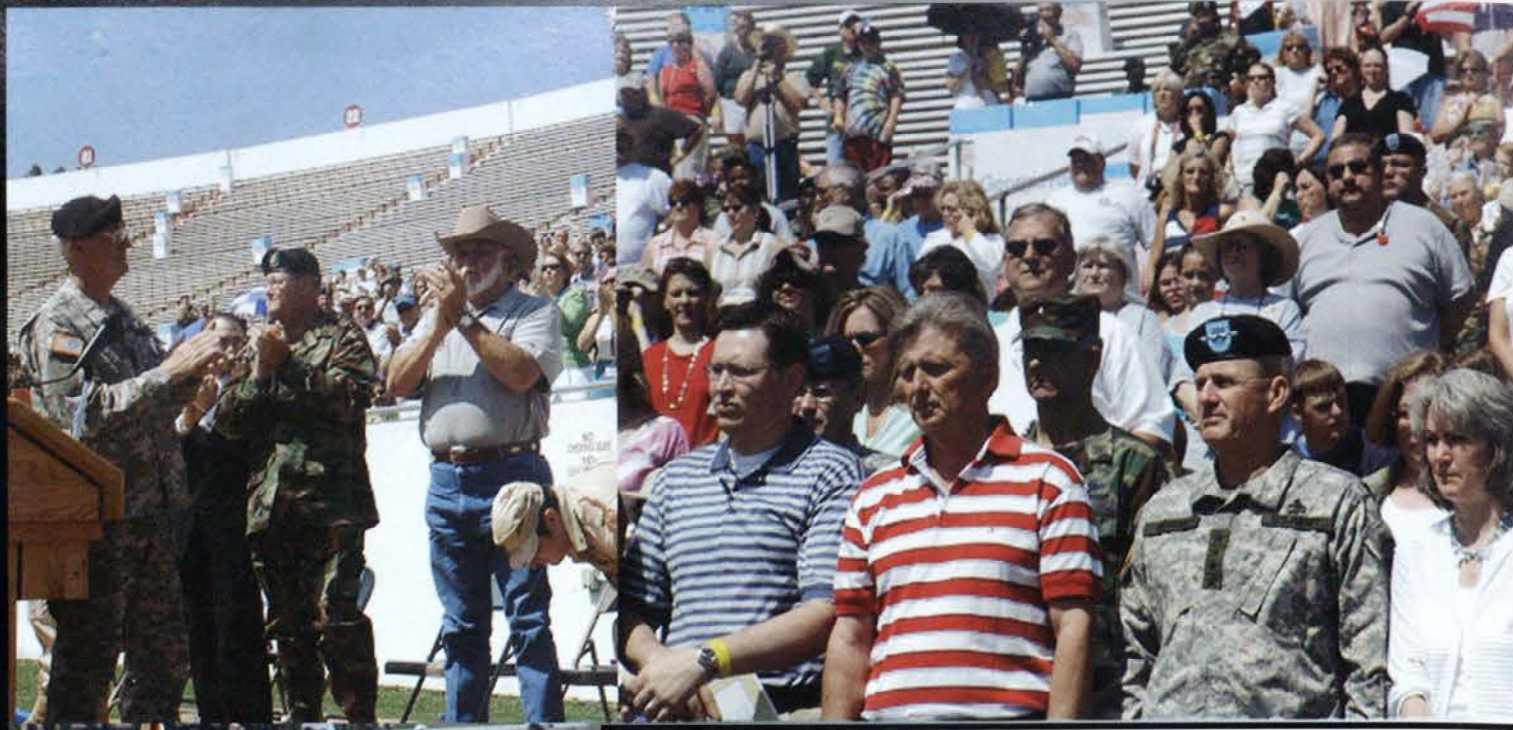
Once assembled special recognitions were given to the families of soldiers killed and wounded in action and all Veterans of foreign wars.

Distinguished guests were also recognized which included, among many others, Arkansas Governor Mike Huckabee and Former NATO CDR and 2004 Democratic presidential candidate General Wesley Clark.



Guest Speakers following Robbins included Governor Huckabee, BG Ronald Chastain; the 39<sup>th</sup> Infantry Brigade Commander, MG Don Morrow; The Arkansas National Guard Adjutant General.





Following MG Morrow's speech the crowd stood in awe as the ceremony ended with a 21 Gun Salute while the Air Force Missing Man Formation flew over the stadium.

**BOWIE TEAM!**



**Hazen Native: Eudora Mosbey  
Miss Arkansas 2005**

