Honors

This page is dedicated to the honor of those veterans of the Battalion that have passed away and have reported to God's great muster. We dip the Battalion Colors to them in recognition of their service to the Battalion, the Army and our great nation. Rest in Peace our brothers and Sisters

Command Sergeant Major David Stewart, Headquarters Battery



Command Sergeant Major David L Stewart was assigned as the Command Sergeant Major of the 2nd Battalion 28th Field Artillery from 1983-1987. CSM Stewart was a multiple tour Vietnam veteran with the 1st Cavalry Division and the 101st Airborne Division. Along with the Battalion Commander, he was the driving force in creating the Battalion's outstanding NCO corps. After Retirement from the Army, he worked as a postal worker and chief of security for a small college in North Carolina. He passed away in Bridgeport West Virginia on 3 December 2018. Veterans of the 2nd Battalion 28th Field Artillery carried the Sergeant Major's casket to his final resting place. He was survived by his wife Che and several daughters.

1SGT Russel E "Russ" Meinke, Headquarters Battery and Service Battery



First Sergeant Russel E "Russ" Meinke was assigned to the 2nd Battalion 28th Field Artillery in 1984 as the Battalion Communications Chief. He was later assigned as the 1st Sergeant of Service Battery. He was always known as an NCO that took care of his people. 1SGT Meinke passed away on April 2, 2016 in Peoria Illinois.

First Sergeant Ed Carmichael, Headquarters Battery



First Sergeant Ed Carmichael was assigned to the 2nd Battalion 28th Field Artillery in 1984. During his tour he served as the First Sergeant of Headquarters Battery and as Battalion Operations Sergeant. "Top" Carmichael was loved and respected by the soldiers of HHB. He passed away in Lawton Oklahoma (More TBP)

Mrs. Kathy Lange, Spouse of Major Paul Lange Headquarters Battery



Kathy arrived in the 2nd Battalion 28th Field Artillery with her husband Paul who was the Battalion Executive officer in July of 1984 and 1985. Kathy is remembered as being very active with the wives and families of the Battalion and cared deeply for the soldiers of the Battalion. After Paul retired from the Army in 1986, the Lange's moved to Albuquerque NM where both worked as civil servants for US Government. Paul was later assigned to Kaiserslautern Germany. It was here in December of 2004 that she died of a fall in their home. She was survived by her Husband Paul and their son Ron.

First Sergeant Richard "Sonny" Bumgardner A Battery and Service Battery



1SGT Bumgardner was assigned to the 2nd Battalion 28th Field Artillery from 1981-1985. He was a two tour Vietnam Vet as an Artilleryman and a Drill Sergeant at Fort Sill OK. On assignment to the Battalion, Bumgardner initially served as the Chief of Firing Battery of A Battery and later, after promotion to First Sergeant, was assigned as the First Sergeant of Service Battery. He was known as a tough but caring NCO that took care of his soldiers and he was considered the consummate Artilleryman who served as a mentor to young NCOs and officers alike. After retirement from the Army, he settled in Seagrove NC. 1SGT Bumgardner passed away on October 9th, 2018. He was survived by his wife Alice of 49 years, daughter Julie, two Grandchildren and 4 great grandchildren.

Honors to be published....

SFC John Spellman B Battery

Ms Christa Stewart, HHB, wife of CSM David Stewart Waynesburg PA 26 Feb 2012

If anyone visiting this site knows of the passing of any 28th Field Artillery Veteran or Family Member please notify the Association chaplain at chaplain@28FARA.org with as much information as possible so that we can properly honor them.