

**US ARMY**

**OFFICER CANDIDATE  
SCHOOL**

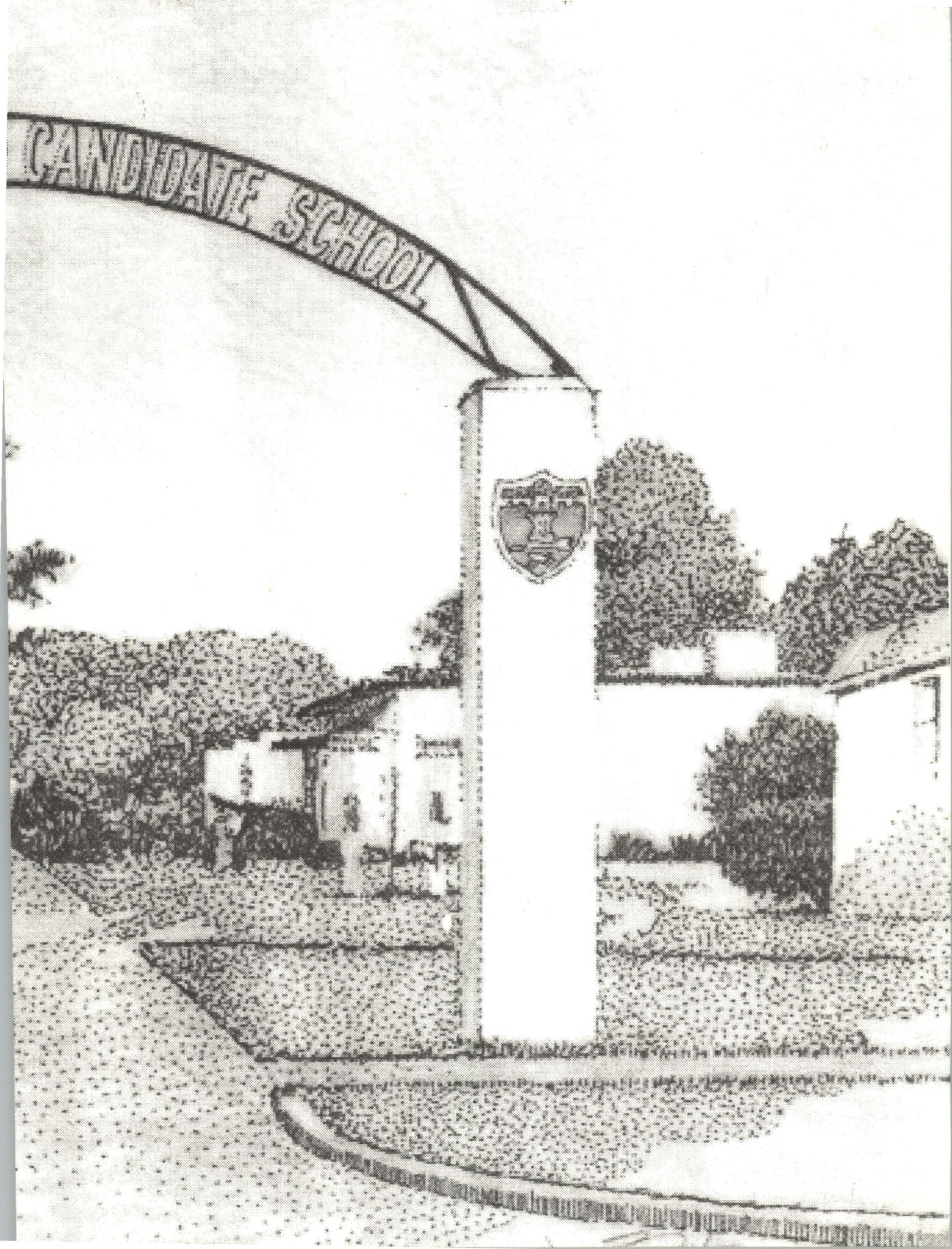
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**CLASS 1-00  
LEADERS OF THE MILLENNIUM**









## OCS HISTORY

The idea for the modern Officer Candidate School for infantry was conceived in June, 1938, when a plan for an officer-training program was submitted to the Chief of Infantry by Brigadier General L. Singleton, Commandant of the Infantry School, Fort Benning, Georgia. No action was taken until July 1940, when Brigadier General Courtney Hodges, Assistant Commandant of the Infantry School, submitted a revised plan. The new program went into effect in July 1941, as the Infantry, Field Artillery, and Coastal Artillery Officer Candidate Schools. Other branches later followed with their own Officer Candidate Schools. On September 27, 1941, the first infantry OCS class graduated 171 Second Lieutenants out of 204 men who had started the 17 week course.

The men credited with establishing the format, discipline, and code of honor still used in OCS today was General Omar Bradley, then Commandant of the Infantry School. As the Commandant of the Infantry School, General Bradley emphasized rigorous training, strict discipline and efficient organization. These tenets remain the base values of today's Officer Candidate School.

Between July 1941 and May 1947, over 100,000 candidates were enrolled in 448 Infantry OCS classes, of these approximately 87 percent were commissioned. After World War II, Infantry OCS was transferred to Fort Riley, Kansas, as part of the General Ground School. All other Officer Candidate Schools were discontinued.

On 1 November 1947, the Infantry OCS program was discontinued. The final class graduated only 52 Second Lieutenants.

A shortage of officers during the Korean conflict caused Infantry OCS to reopen at Fort Benning on 18 February 1951. At this time, the course was lengthened from 17 to 22 weeks. The name was changed from The Infantry Officer Candidates School to the First Officer Candidate Battalion, Second Student Regiment. The strength of OCS increased rapidly. As one of eight branch programs, Infantry OCS included as many as 29 companies with a class graduating every week. During the Korean War, approximately 7,000 Infantry officers graduated from OCS at Fort Benning.

On 4 August 1953, OCS was reduced from eight to three programs: Infantry, Artillery and Engineer.

Shortly before the onset of the Vietnam Conflict, OCS had been reduced to two programs, Infantry and Field Artillery. During the height of the Vietnam Conflict, Infantry OCS was one of five programs and produced 7,000 officers annually from five battalions at Fort Benning. Towards the end of the conflict OCS reduced to two programs, Infantry and Female OCS. Infantry OCS was reduced to two battalions and presently remains one battalion.

In April 1973, a branch immaterial Officer Candidate Course was created to replace the branch specified courses and the length of the course was reduced to 14 weeks. OCS for female officer candidates remained at Fort McCellan, Alabama until December 1976, when it merged with the Branch Immaterial OCS program at Fort Benning, Georgia.

Today's officer candidates enter the school from throughout the force. OCS continues to provide commissioned officers to the total force of all sixteen basic branches of the Army.

On June 12, 1998 to further integrate the total force, the Army National Guard OCS Phase III candidates began training along side their counterparts in the Branch Immaterial Officer Candidate School. Officer Candidates from the National Guard and Army Reserve conduct the final phase of training before commissioning during their two-week annual training period. During the first year, over 650 future officers were trained for the "Total Force."

The mission of OCS remains: to train selected personnel in the fundamentals of leadership and basic military skills, instill professional ethics, evaluate leadership potential, and commission those who qualify as Second Lieutenants in the Total Force.





**OCS**  
**BRAVO - 1 - 00**

**FORT BENNING**  
**GEORGIA**



**ALF,  
KELLY**  
Quartermaster

*"The only person you  
are destined to be is the  
one you decide to  
become." -- unknown*

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**BIEL,  
JASON**  
Quartermaster

*"All righty then."*



**CARROLL,  
VERONICA A.**  
Military Intelligence

*"iY Que!"*



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GREEN DAVID**  
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**CHESTER,  
JENNIFER MARIE**  
*"Chester"*  
Quartermaster

*"So do not fear,  
for I am with you,  
do not be dismayed  
for I am your God.  
I will strengthen you  
and help you. I will  
uphold you in my  
righteous right hand."  
--Isaiah 41:10*





**CLARK,  
JILL D.**  
Military Intelligence

*"Nothing is impossible,  
as long as you believe  
in it and don't give up."*

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**COPPAGE,  
KELLY J.**  
*"Mr. Blonde"*  
Infantry

*"You gonna bark all day,  
little doggy, or you  
gonna bite?"*



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**CURRY II,  
GREGORY E.**  
Infantry

*"Let us never forget  
who we are and  
where we came from."*

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CHRISTOPHER J.**  
*"Big D"*  
Armor

*"Don't look for a fight,  
one will find you when  
you least expect it."  
-- Bruce Lee*

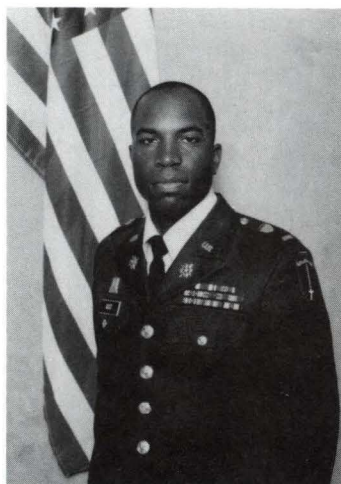
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**GARRETT,  
TREVOR L.**  
*"Daddy"*  
AG

*"When you go,  
you can't take it with  
you; so, live life  
to the fullest!"*

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RYAN D.**  
*"Sir Ryan"*  
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*"Put forth effort,  
do your best, and  
let the Lord do the rest."*

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**GOMEZ,  
ROBERT**  
*"Antonio"*  
Armor

*"Drive on...look back  
only to remember, and  
respect those  
who have fallen."*

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**GREGORY,  
WILLIAM S.**  
Finance

*"In all tragedy  
there is inherent good."*

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**HAUGHT,  
DERON R.**  
Field Artillery

*"It's a small world,  
but I'd hate to  
paint it."*

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**HORNE,  
JOHN L.**  
*"Candidate Bumpas"*  
Engineer

*"Know the system  
and use it to your  
advantage."*

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**HUDSON,  
ROBERT**  
*"Che"*  
Signal Corps

*"Fear no men."*

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**JACOBS,  
KEITH L.**  
*"Big J"*  
Field Artillery

*"He who can out think  
you is your master."*

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**JACOBS,  
MICHAEL**  
Armor

*"This I'll remember:  
minus five, pio-cee-durs!  
bad things will happen,  
grab your kevlar and a  
five gallon water can,  
Officer Candidate  
Scott-ohm....."*

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**JACOBSON,  
BERNARD L.**  
*"Chunk"*  
Military Intelligence

*"There has not  
been any great talent  
without an element  
of madness."*

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**JENKINS,  
AARON S.**  
Signal Corps

*"High speed,  
National Guard!"*

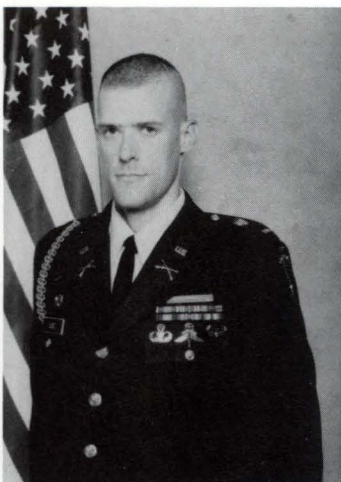
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Quartermaster  
  
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**LERZ II,  
EDWARD B.**  
Infantry  
  
*"There is no time."*



**LYNN,  
HAROLD J.**  
Infantry



**MANASTERLI,  
TAHER K.**  
Military Intelligence  
  
*"A good manager  
does things right.  
A leader does  
the right things."*  
  
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**MARTE,  
ODALIS A.**  
Ordinance  
  
*"Life!! What a  
beautiful choice!"*  
  
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**MARTINEZ JR. ISAIAS**  
**"OCSOP Man"**  
 Military Police  
*"Who's Joayboy?"*  
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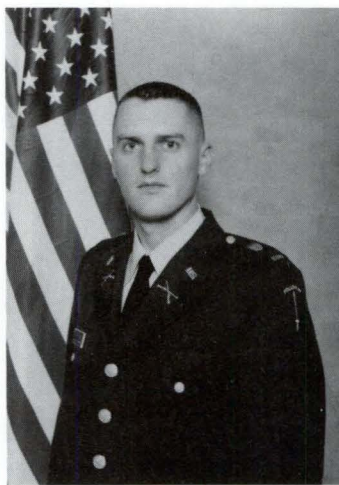
**MIGLIORE, JASON**  
 Quartermaster  
*"In the Lord I put my trust."*  
*-- Psalm 11:1*  
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**MOORE, PATRICK J.**  
**"Little Debbie"**  
 Engineer  
 "You're fired!"



**MORTON, SHAWN**  
**"Sly"**  
 Engineer  
*"Meter and time must co-exist."*



**O'CONNELL, KEVIN PATRICK**  
 Infantry  
*"Who's the freakin' individual?"*  
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*"Outstanding!"*

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**PARRISH  
WILLIAM Y.**  
*"Bill"*  
Armor

*"Was it over  
when the German's  
bombed Pearl Harbor?  
NO!"*



**PATE,  
VAXTER**  
*"Profile"*  
ADA

*"I got more problems  
than the whole damn  
Company!"*

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**PELLEY,  
KEVIN M.**  
*"Blue Falcon"*  
Military Police

*"Moving!"*

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**PICCIONE,  
MARK**  
Infantry





**PLYS, JR.  
MARTIN P.**  
Infantry

*"The best apples are  
grown in the orchards  
of Washington State."*



**PORTER,  
MELVIN**  
Armor

*"A means to an ends."*



**PRICE,  
DAVID J.**  
Signal Corps

*"To know and not to do  
is not to know."*

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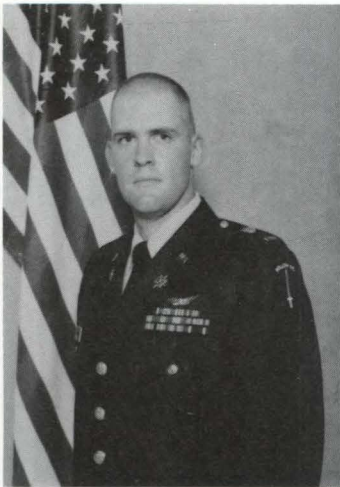
*"Grand Master P"*

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**ROBINSON,  
DANIEL J.**  
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*"When faced with  
adversity, remember,  
drop by drop the water  
wears away the stone."*

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**ROBINSON,  
ELISE C.**  
Engineers

*"Make new friends  
but keep the old."*

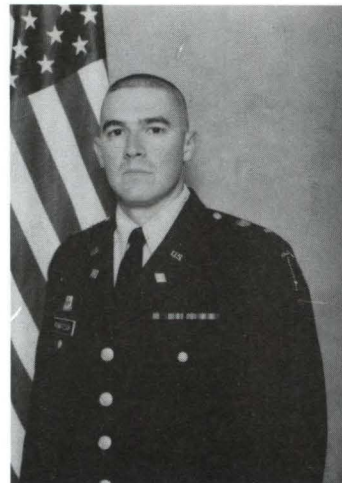
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**ROBITZSCH  
VIRGIL GRANT**  
Finance

*"Only the strong  
survive."*



**ROK,  
ROBERT K.**  
*"Dondy"*  
Armor

*"You can do it!"*



**ROGERS,  
DANIEL**  
*"Pig Pen"*  
Signal Corps

*"Oink"*





**ROMERO,  
CHARLES**

Infantry

*"But those who hope in  
the Lord will renew their  
strength. They will soar  
on wings like eagles;  
they will run and not  
grow weary; they will  
walk and not be faint."  
-- Isaiah 40:31*

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IRVING A.**

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*"Goals are irrelevant  
if you don't work hard  
to achieve them!"*

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MICHAEL L.**

*"Mr. Bigglesworth"*  
Engineer

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**SCHILLER,  
JERRY L.**

*"Killer"*  
Infantry

*"As hard  
as woodpecker lips."*

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**SCOTT,  
JAMES DEVIN**

*"Scotty"*  
Engineer

*"God has the  
master plan."*

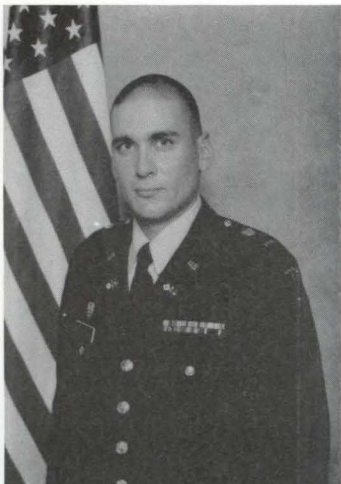
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**SCUDIERI,  
PATRICK J.**

*"Scooby"*  
Field Artillery

*"The difficult takes time,  
the impossible takes a  
little longer."*



**SMITH,  
JEREMY A.**  
Signal Corps

*"Whatever!"*



**SMITH,  
NIKKI N.**  
*"Smitty"*

*"That's my max,  
Ma'am."*



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DANIEL C.**  
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**SOTOMAYOR,  
DAVID**  
*"Soda Pop"*  
Signal Corps

*"What am  
I doing here?"*

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**STEPHENSON,  
NORMAN**  
Field Artillery

*"Life is too short to  
waste, but it's too long  
not to have a good  
time."*



**STOGNER,  
WILLIAM**  
*"Darby"*  
Ordinance

*"Two minutes until the  
freaking-out starts."*

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**SWINT,  
THOMAS J.**  
*"Shiney Bastard"*  
Engineer

*"For the Republic,  
I fight!"*

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**TELLADO,  
REGINA**  
*"Chiquita"*  
AG

*"The truth is out there."*



**TERRY, JR.  
BILL M.**  
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**THOMAS,  
JANET L.**  
*"T"*  
AG

*"The shield of shame...  
and proud of it."*

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**TIJERINA,  
MANDIE A.**  
*"Chica/Pequenita"*  
Military Intelligence

*"You do not have  
to be wealthy to have  
everything in life  
that you want."*

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**TIMMERBERG,  
WALTER J.**  
*"Walt"*  
Armor

*"A bad day fishing  
is better than a  
good day working."*

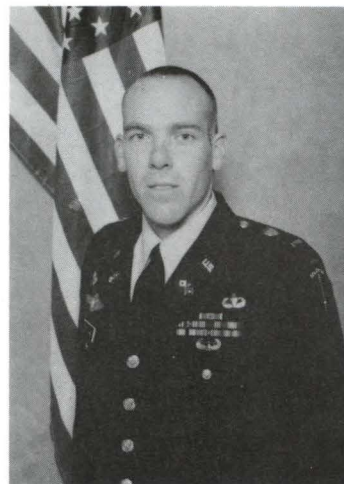


**TOMLINSON,  
MARK S.**

*"Doc"*  
Armor

*"Man wanders from  
cradle to grave, yet  
never knows his true  
destination which is, not  
the tomb, but rather the  
discovery of himself."  
-- Paul Twichel*

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**TOOTHMAN, JR.  
KENNETH L.**

Signal Corps

*"As we move into the  
officer corps, let us  
never forget where we  
came from."*



**TORRES-ESTELA,  
GLIDDEN JOEL**

*"Mira"*  
Transportation

*"Para ganar necesitas  
saber perden, porque  
si conoces a tu  
enemigo sera mas  
facil vencerlo."*



**TOWNER,  
RICHARD A.**

*"Ace"*  
Infantry

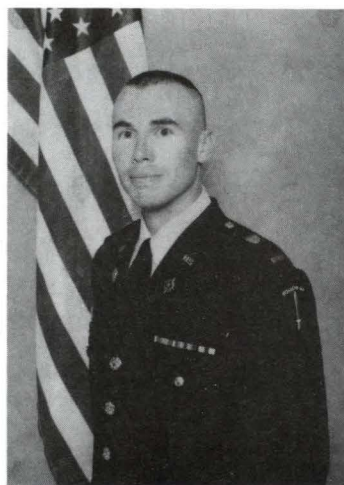
*"What doesn't kill you  
will only make you  
stronger."*



**TRAMONTE,  
KEVIN J.**

Engineer Branch

*"You do not decide if  
you are a good leader,  
the soldiers you lead  
make the decision."*



**VAN DUREN,  
WILLIAM J.**

Military Intelligence





**WHITTACRE,  
GARY D.**

*"Whitt"*

Transportation

*"They can't stop time."*

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**WILLIS,  
CYLESTE**

*"Queen Bee"*

Engineer

*"One thing we are  
here to do:  
Go toward and win!"*

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**WOLF,  
SHANNON L.**

Field Artillery

*"That dog  
will bite you."*



**WOLFE,  
STEVEN W.**

Engineer

*"Don't Quit!"*

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**WOODS,  
DELIAH M.**

Ordinance

*"The tragedy in life  
does not lie in not  
reaching your goal.  
It lies in not having  
a goal to reach for."  
-- F. Douglas, Educator*

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**WOODS,  
JAMES D.**

Ordinance

*"You Pump It Up,  
Hot Rod!"*

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**WORLEY,  
FRANK**  
Field Artillery

*"Every step in a  
person's life offers a  
unique challenge."*



**WYNES,  
KEVIN**  
Ordinance

*"I love this stuff!"*

## CHAIN OF COMMAND

### UNITED STATES ARMY INFANTRY SCHOOL

COMMANDANT.....MG JOHN LE MOYNE  
ASSISTANT COMMANDANT.....BG PAUL EATON  
CHIEF OF STAFF.....COL JOHN LATIMER  
COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR.....CSM MACK VEREE

### 11TH INFANTRY REGIMENT

REGIMENTAL COMMANDER.....COL MICHAEL FERRITER  
COMMAND SERGEANT MAJOR.....CSM JAMES BOYETT

### 3RD BATTALION (OCS) 11TH INFANTRY REGIMENT

BATTALION COMMANDER.....LTC DAVID OSBORNE  
SERGEANT MAJOR.....SGM ANTHONY JOHNSON

### COMPANY B

COMPANY COMMANDER.....CPT FLOYD SHELDON  
FIRST SERGEANT.....1SG EMMETT MAUNAKEA  
SENIOR TAC.....CPT GREGORY GLENN  
1ST PLATOON TAC OFFICER.....1LT RADHIKA NEITZEL  
2ND PLATOON TAC OFFICER.....CPT HECTOR FERNANDEZ-GARCIA  
3RD PLATOON TAC OFFICER.....1LT FELIX ALMAGUER  
4TH PLATOON TAC OFFICER.....CPT FIDELIS AGBOR  
1ST PLATOON TAC NCO.....SFC STEPHEN DEFELICE  
2ND PLATOON TAC NCO.....SFC DAVID ERMI  
3RD PLATOON TAC NCO.....SFC HARRY BRYAN  
4TH PLATOON TAC NCO.....SFC CHRISTOPHER AUSTIN  
SUPPLY SERGEANT.....SGT SAUL ARROYO  
SUPPLY CLERK.....SFC EDUARD YERSHOV





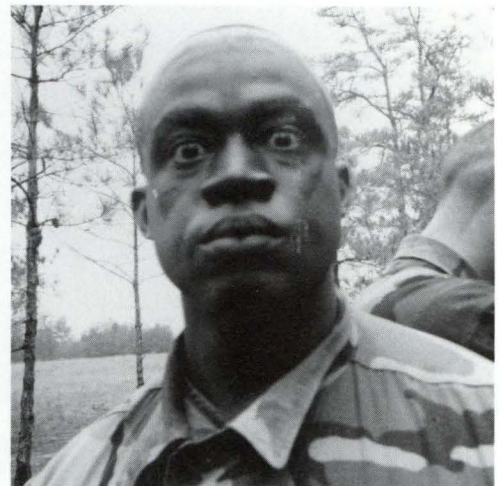
*On our ways to Plains, Georgia*



*Wow, what a big gun!*



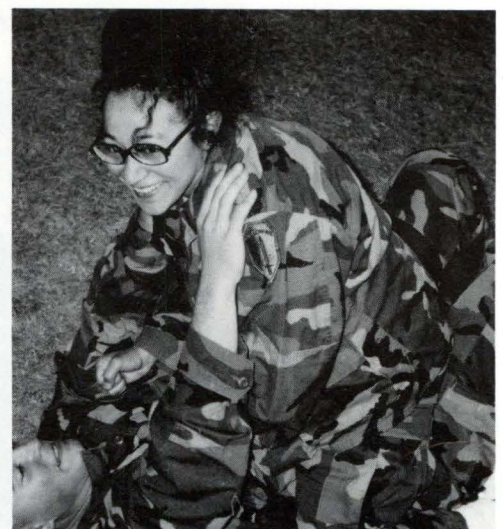
*1st PLT meets President Jimmy Carter*



*Where is my  
tribal head dress?!?!*



*What a bunch of hams!*



*Tellado puts "a hurtin"  
on Wynes*





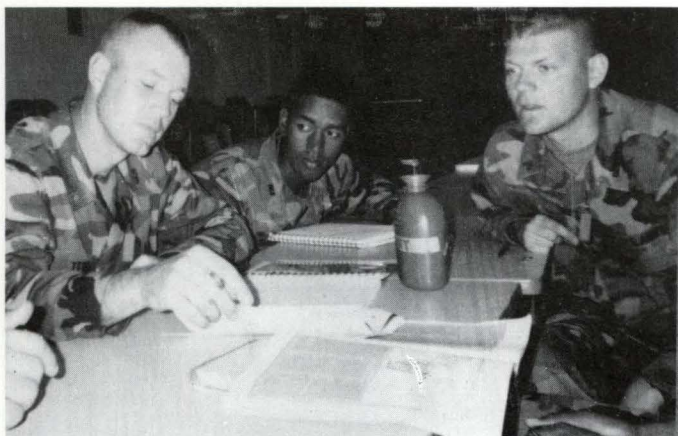
***OC Coupel takes a nap after a long day of digging fighting positions***



***OC Dawson -- can you guess who he is imitating?***



***2nd Platoon, always ready for a road march***



***OC Terry, OC Hardy and OC Prunty***



***2nd Platoon***





*Looking enthusiastic  
about the AAR*



*1st PLT waits  
for movement  
to Capstone*

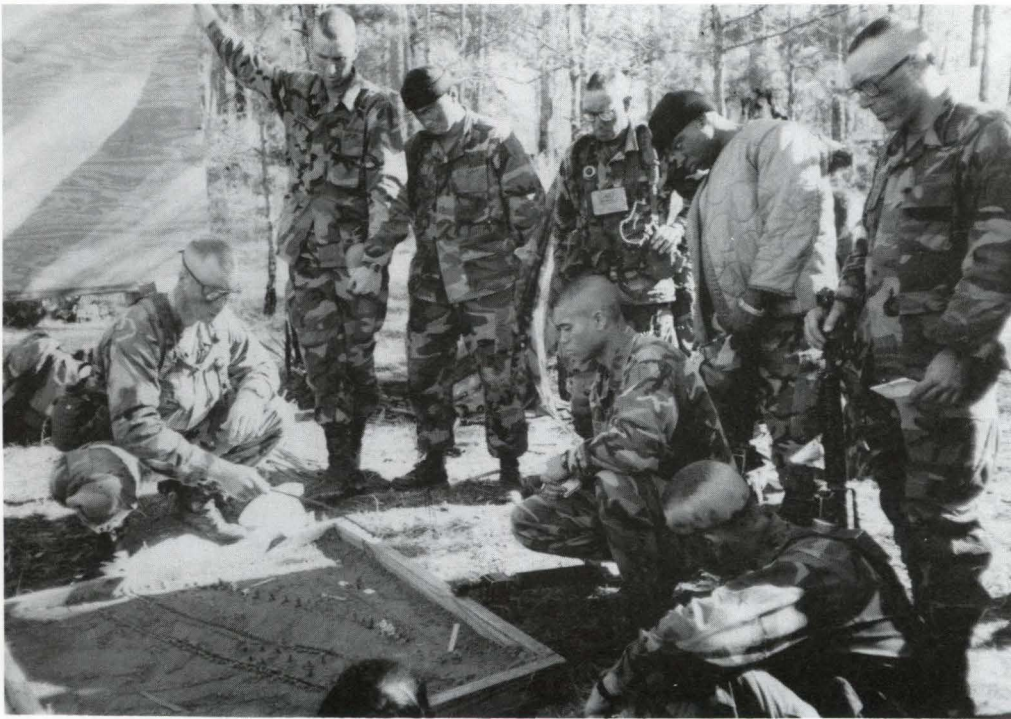


*The dogs of OCS are here*



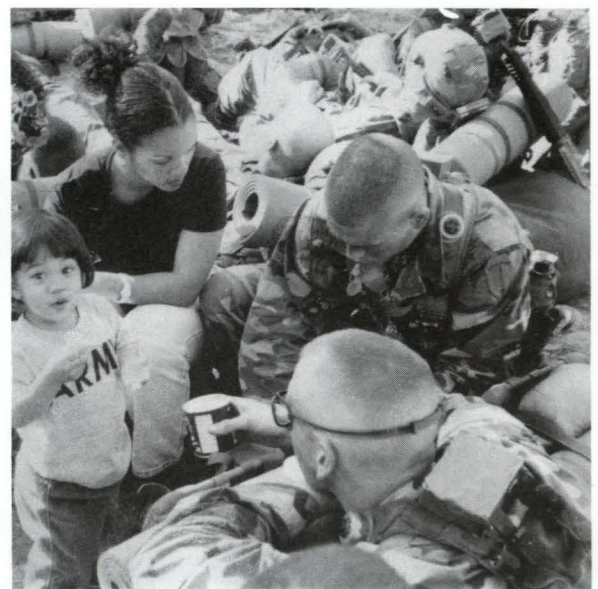
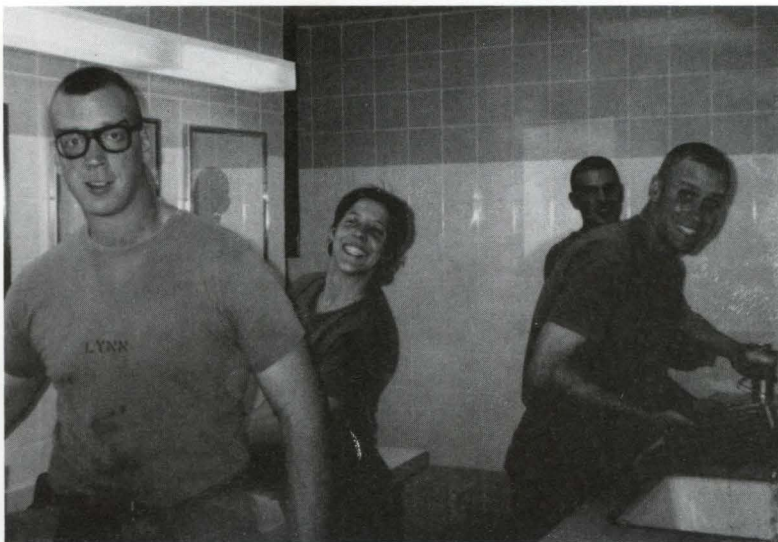
*I think I can,  
I think I can.*





*And over here to the left is where we will kick butt and take names*

*Lean, mean, cleaning machines!*



*I'm a pint-size G.I. Jane*



*Oh, how we enjoy cleaning weapons*





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**BRAVO - 1 - 00**  
**2ND PLATOON**



# 2<sup>ND</sup> PLATOON

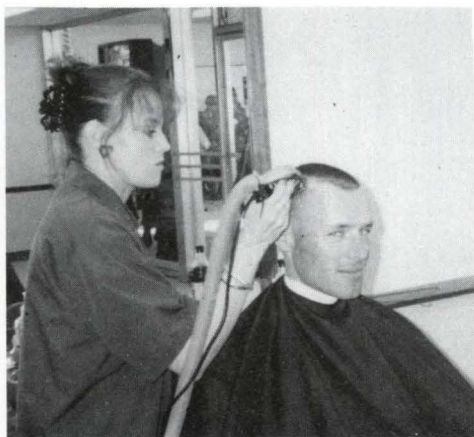


*OC Smith at Signal Corps  
Branching Ceremony*



*2nd Platoon*

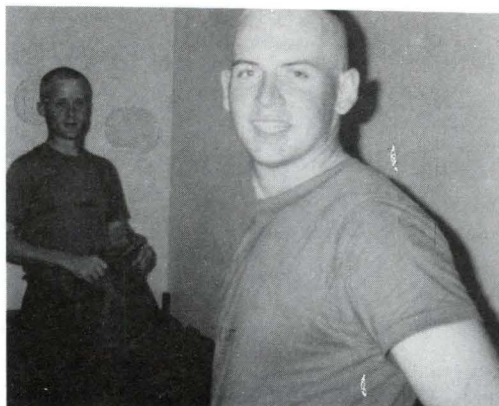
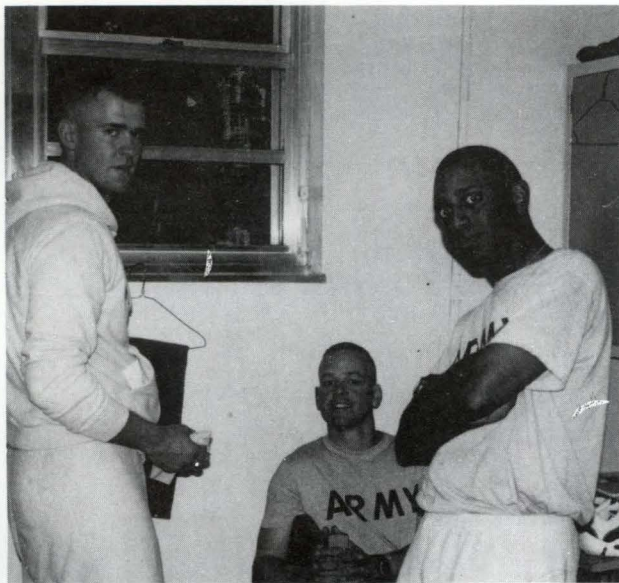
*Weekly  
Haircuts...*



*OC Robinson, OC Wolfe  
and OC Tomlinson*



*OC Schiller and OC Manasterli*



*OC Purcell and OC Swint*





***2nd Platoon***



***A Handy***



***OC Sanders demonstrates the  
Air Force gloves***



***OC Willis and OC Coppage***



***OC Gregory...?***





***OC Purcell scrubbing toilets for BN  
Commander's inspection***



***Tap out!***



***CO's inspection***



***The Arm Bar***



***OC Tomlinson and OC Coppage...  
What are you using on the floor?  
Caught in the act!***



***OC Prunty***

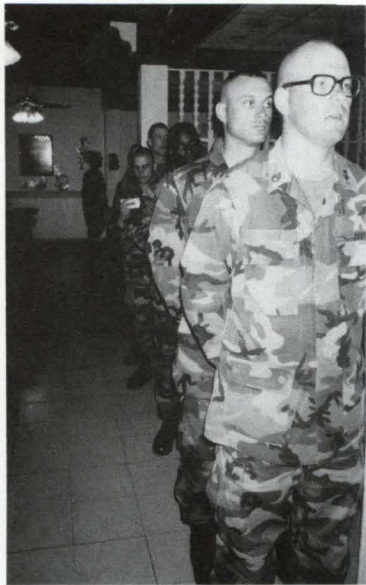




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**BRAVO - 1 - 00**  
**3RD PLATOON**



# 3<sup>RD</sup> PLATOON



*We never actually retrieved the OP order but we sure had fun trying.*



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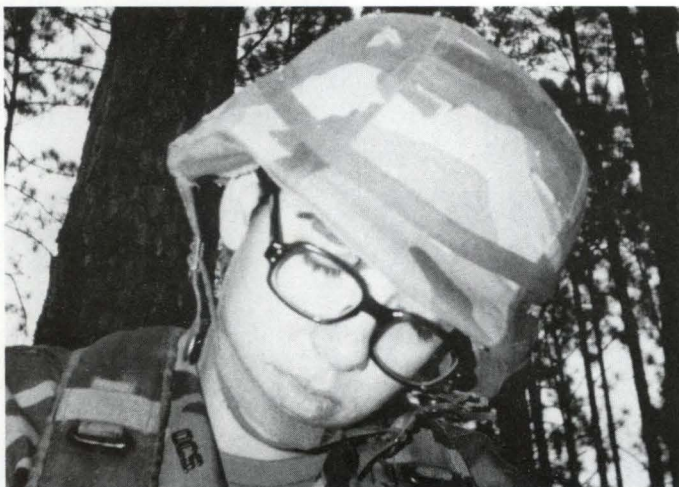
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*Who wants me to do what? . . . OC Garret, OC Merte, OC Hudson, OC Sotomayor, and OC Johnson mow the lawn and rake leaves.*



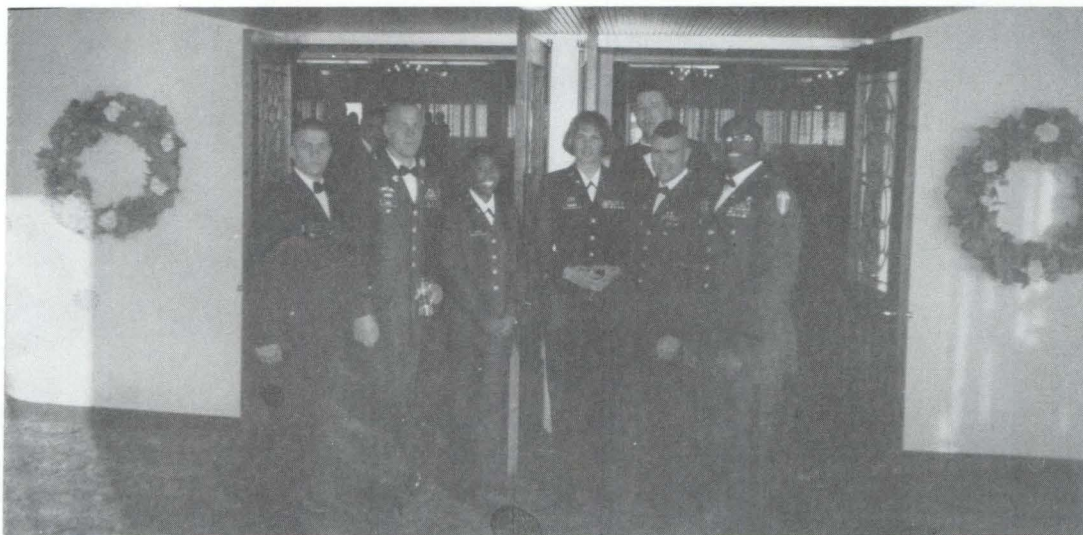
*Always ready . . . OC Vandurn stands by waiting for the "big inspection."*



*Sweet dreams . . . OC Chidester and OC Garret are among the most skilled sleepers of class 1-00, having the ability to sleep just about anywhere.*



# 3<sup>RD</sup> PLATOON



*3rd Plt. 2nd Squad at the Dinning In . . OC Martin Plys, OC Jason Biel, OC Deliah Woods, OC Janet Thomas, OC Daniel Soles, OC Jason Migliore, OC Michael Riley*

## 2<sup>ND</sup>

## S Q U A D



*Squad attention . . . even during in ranks 2nd Squad is in good spirits.*



*I hate when that happens. Sgt. Bryan conducts one of the many in ranks inspections of the cycle.*



*Hey, Candidate. Go sweep those leaves . . . OC Woods D. and OC Soles improvise on the raking detail by using brooms.*



*Lights out . . . OC Thomas, like many candidates, lays out her display and sleeps on the floor the night before inspection.*



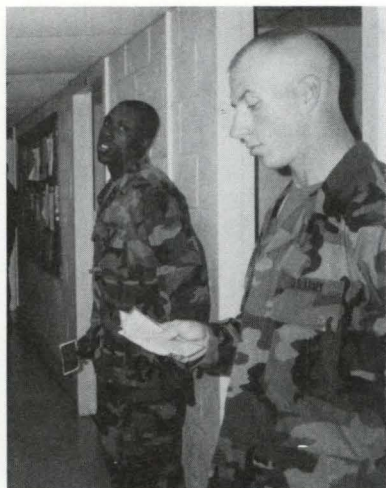
# 3<sup>RD</sup> PLATOON

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*If there is one thing 3rd Plt 3rd Squad has lots of, it's guts.  
OC Pelley and OC Stagner.*

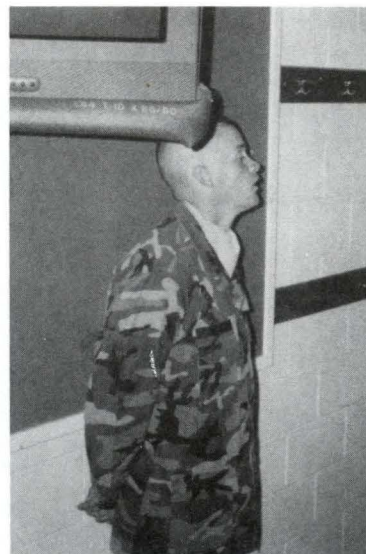


*It's never too late . . .  
OC Johnson and OC  
Jacobs do a quick  
review of required  
knowledge while  
waiting for their room  
to be inspected by  
Capt. Sheldon.*



*Trigger happy . . .  
OC Sotomeyer says "'#@\$&" YAH!"*

*Another day in  
building snore . . .  
OC Wolf puts his  
sleeping skills to  
the test. Can he  
sleep standing?  
Yep! He's still  
got it.*





# 3<sup>RD</sup> PLATOON



*OC Merrill and OC Hudson serve each candidate three beverages.*



*OC Johnson is the bread man.*

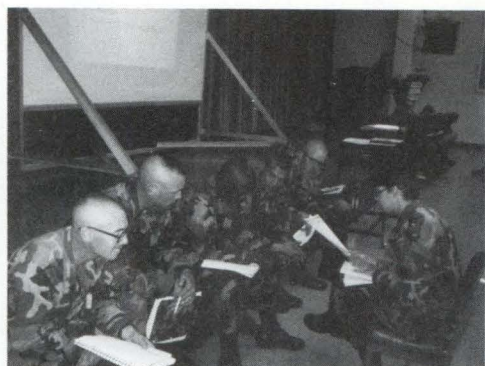


*OC Sotomayor and OC Pelley give OC Stephenson some motivation helping him to finish his meal in three minutes.*



*OC Wolfe . . . Be courteous to your servers. Cup your tray in your right hand, make two left faces.*

## IN THE CLASSROOM . . .



*1st Squad*

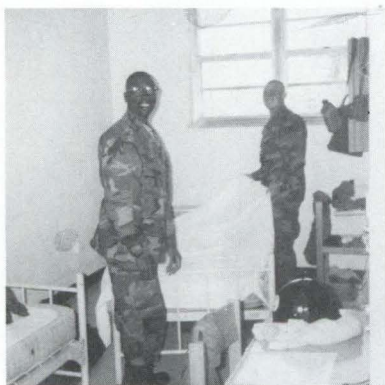


*2nd Squad*



*3rd Squad*

**I HATE WHEN THAT HAPPENS! . . .  
BY THE LOOKS OF THINGS, SGT. BRYAN HAS BEEN HERE.**



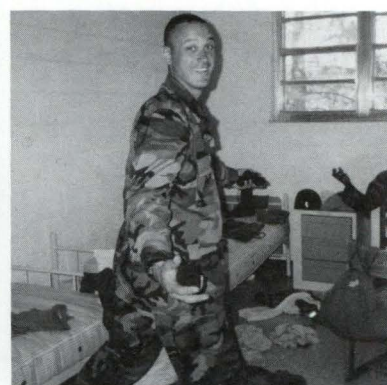
*OC Scott and OC Sotomayor*



*OC Marte*



*OC Thomas and OC Woods D.*



*OC Merrill*





**OCS**  
**BRAVO - 1 - 00**  
**4TH PLATOON**



# 4<sup>TH</sup> PLATOON



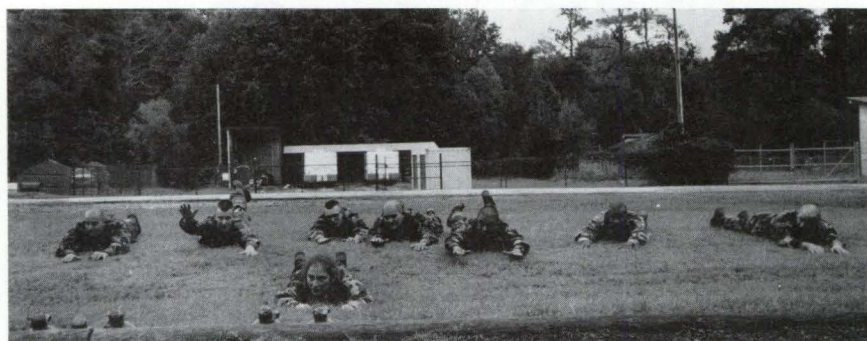
*We are all dirty and stinky, so we'll have to look mean.*



*Monkey hames, monkey hames . . . I'll give you monkey hames." OC Sancheese*

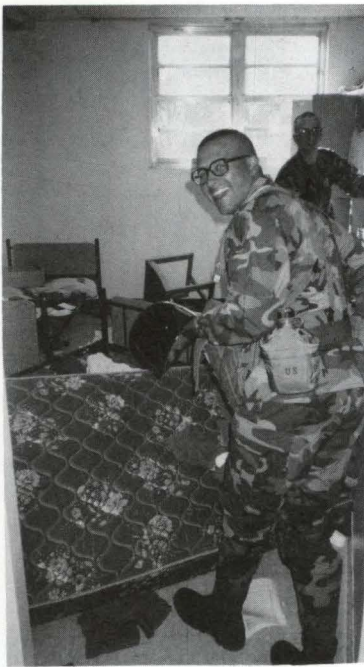


*Put your Platoon on a latrine break and be back in 10 minutes.*



## THE INSTANT CLOWN PLATOON





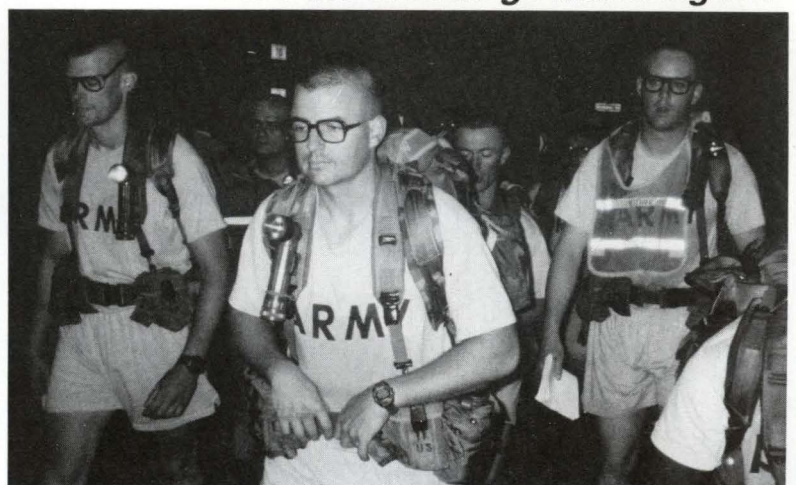
*OC Sanchez and OC Scudieri made a mess  
... - 10 park points.*

*OC Woods reaches the top.*

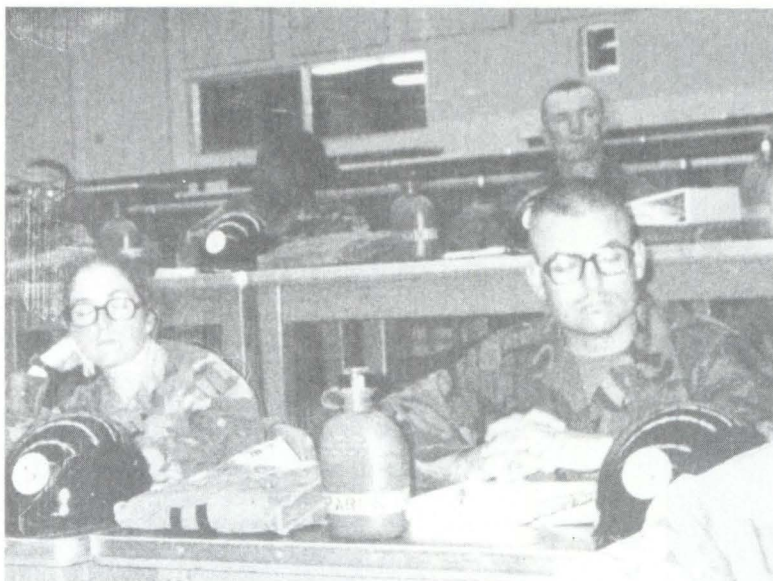


*Snuggle up and get close.*

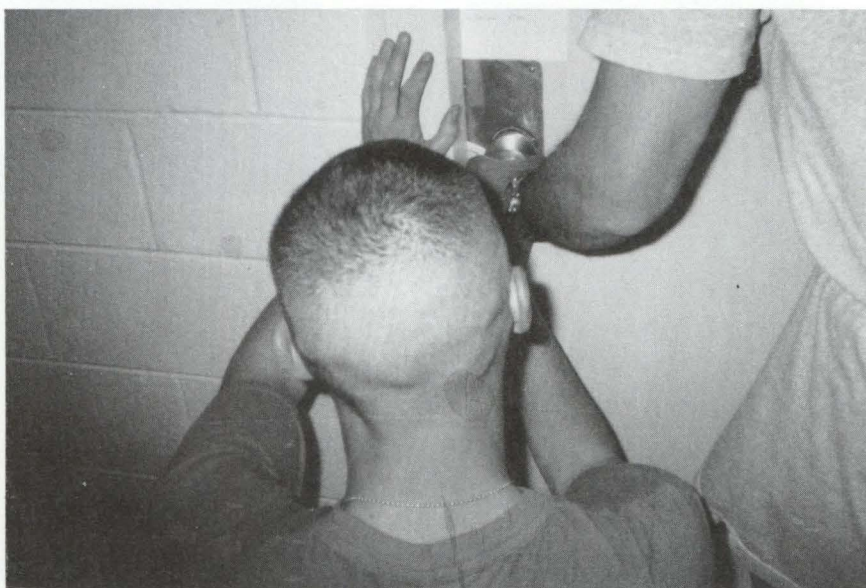
*And the Clowns go marching on.*



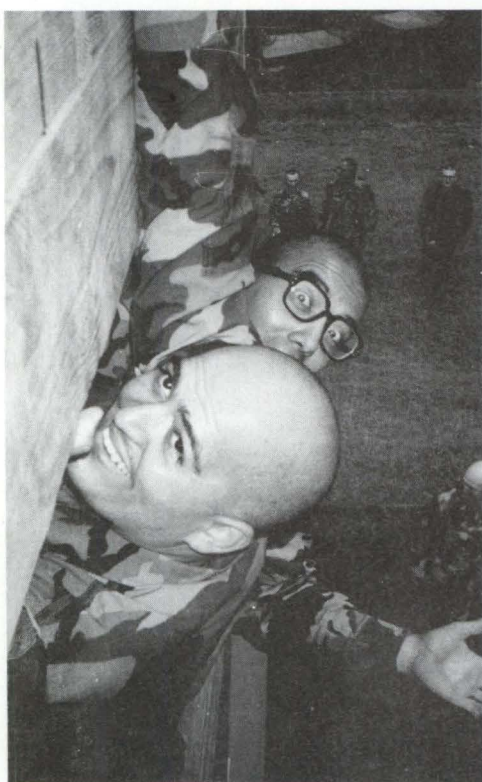




***Can't sleep . . . the clowns will eat me!***



***Who locked the door to the security room?***

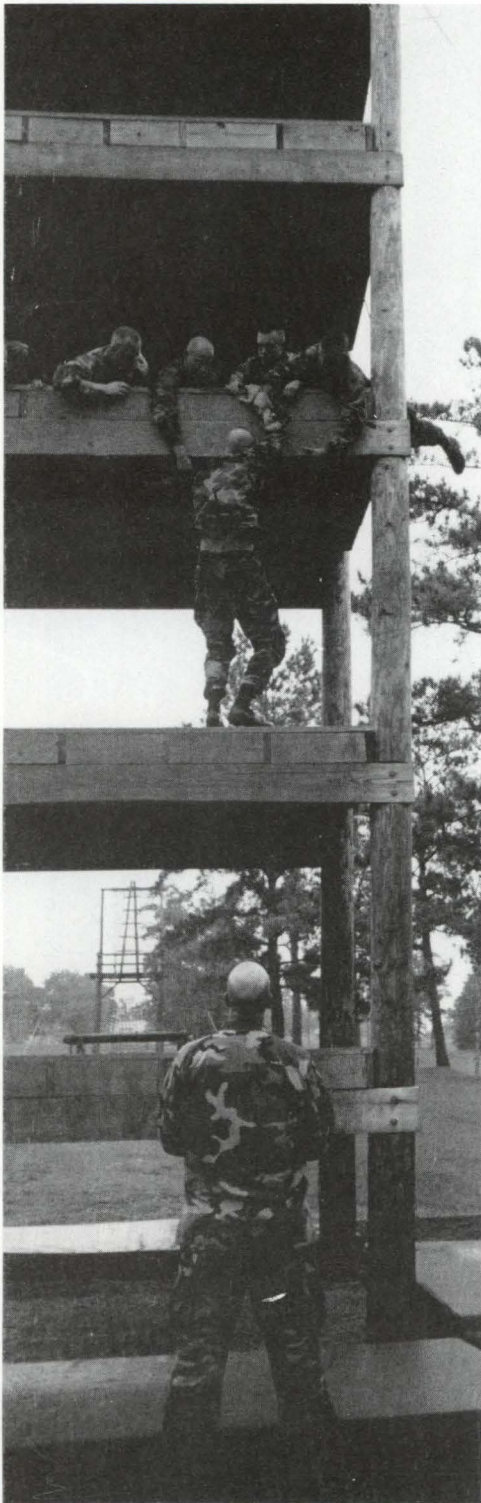


***OC Martinez & OC Torres  
hanging on.***

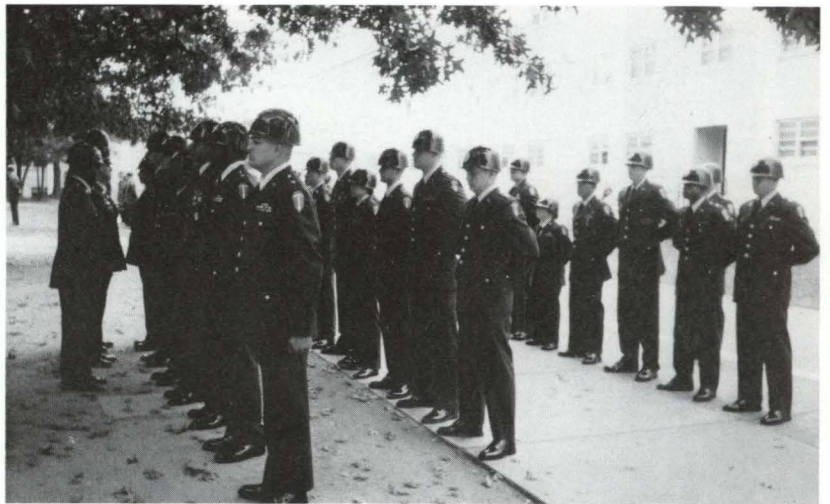


***C'mon Cap'n, stand still!***

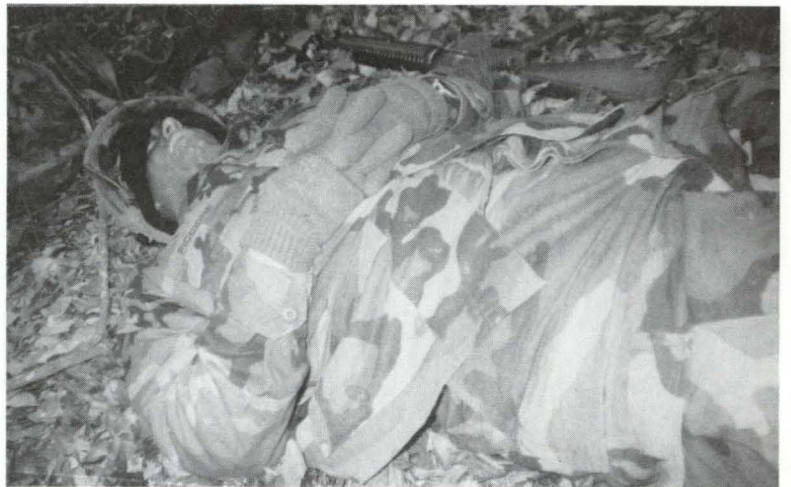




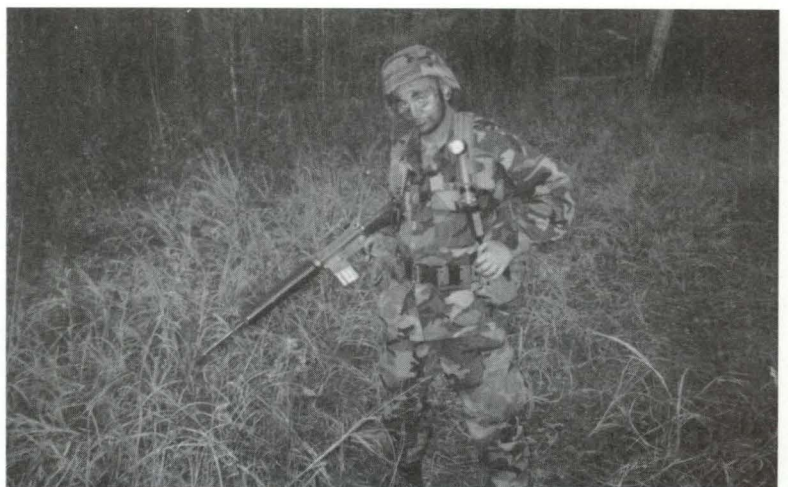
*Towering new heights at  
OCS.*



*Standing tall and looking good, but,  
oh my feet ache!*



*OC Piccione dreams of . . .*



*OC Rogers . . . ready for war.*





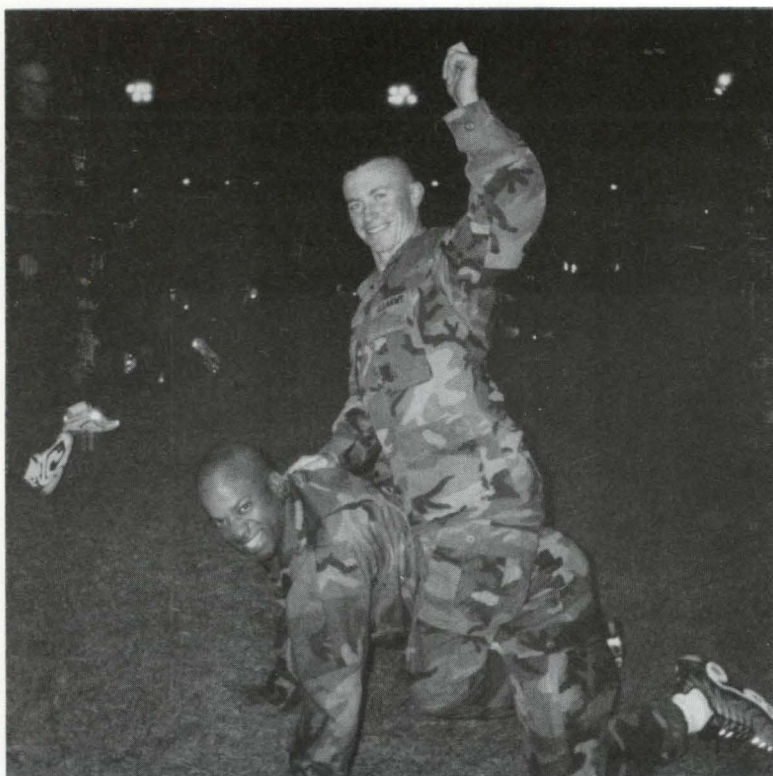
**OCS CLASS 1-00**

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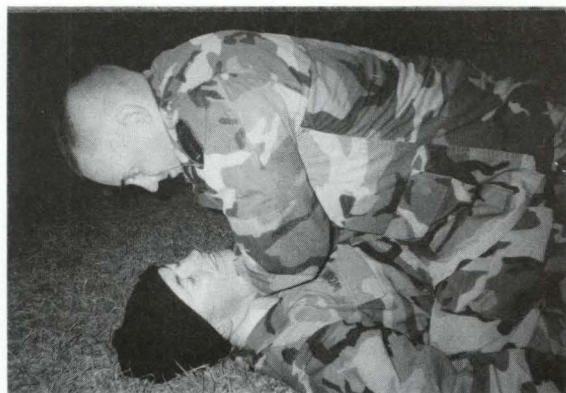
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# COMBATIVES



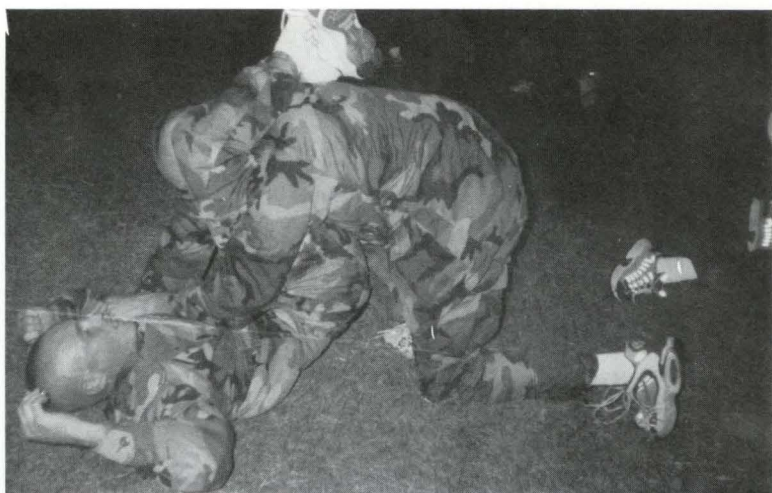
***Ride 'em cowboy! . . . OC Woods has the back mount on OC Porter***



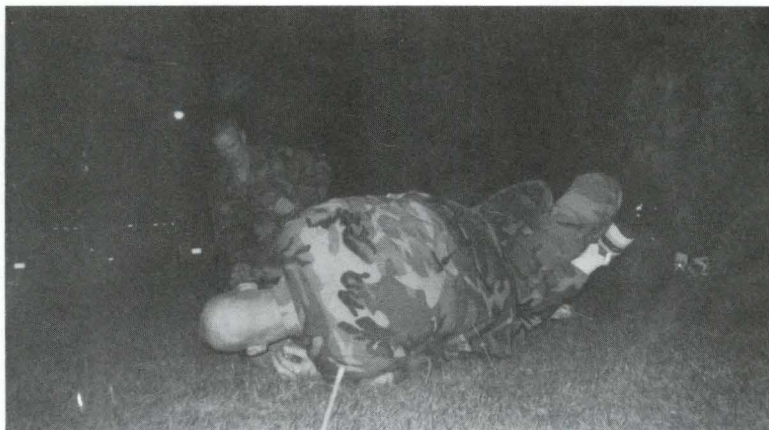
***You don't look like my wife . . . OC Carter puts the cross***



***Yes, Ma'am . . . 1LT Nietzel puts the cross collar choke on O'Connel as OC Robinson looks on.***



***Oh, yeah! You got me!***



***Who and what is it?***

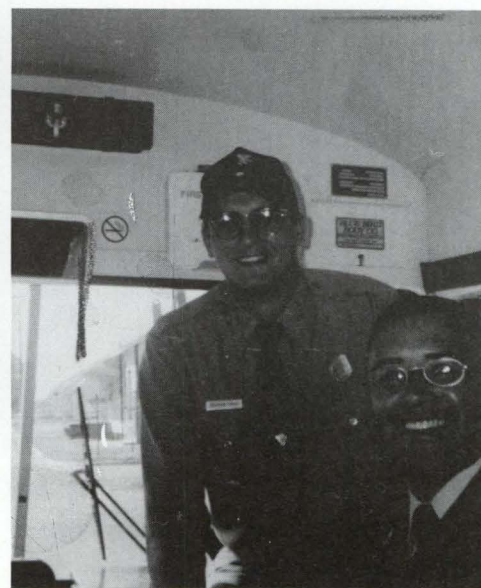


# A TRIP TO PLAINS GEORGIA

## To Meet President Jimmy Carter



*Fourth Platoon having a picture taken with President Jimmy Carter at his bible study.*



*Basic Officer Candidate Sanchez and the infamous tour guide who abducted a bus load of Candidates.*



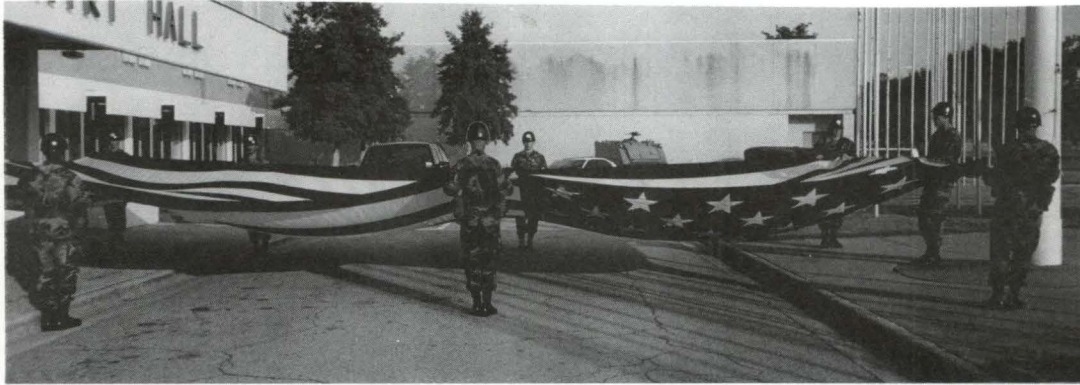
*Basic Officer Candidates Chidester and Alf*



*Basic Officer Candidates Willis, Prunty and Carroll . . . Peanut brittle and Mountain Dew being consumed during basic phase???*



# VETERANS DAY



## VETERANS DAY

*By Father Dennis Edward Obrien, USMC*

It is the soldier, not the reporter,  
Who has given us freedom of the press.

It is the soldier, not the poet,  
Who has given us freedom of speech.

It is the soldier, not the campus organizer,  
who has given us the freedom to  
demonstrate.

It is the soldier who salutes the flag,  
Who serves beneath the flag,  
and whose coffin is draped by the flag,  
Who allows the protester to burn the flag.



***Standing tall and looking good***



***Waiting for the ceremony to start***



***Singing of the  
National Anthem***





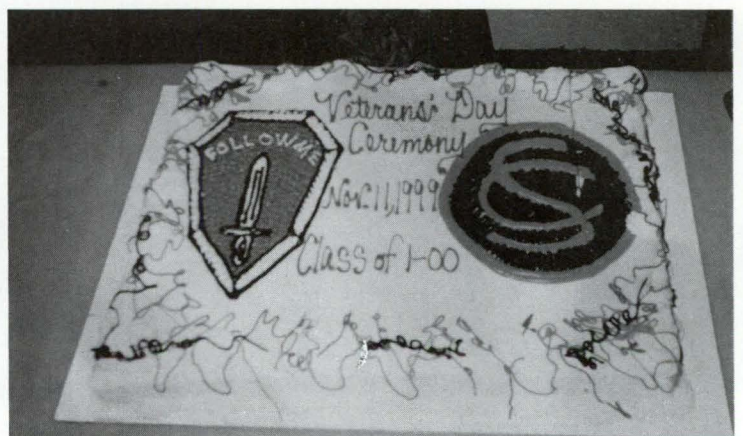
*The tall people as Color Guard, again.*

**Ready,  
Aim,  
FIRE!**



**Thank you to our  
guest speaker  
from OC Towner**

**Cut the cake  
and celebrate!**

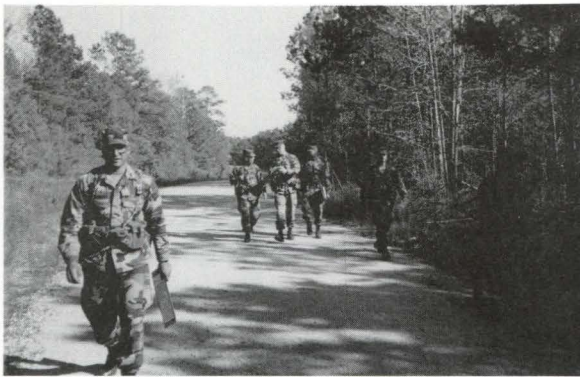




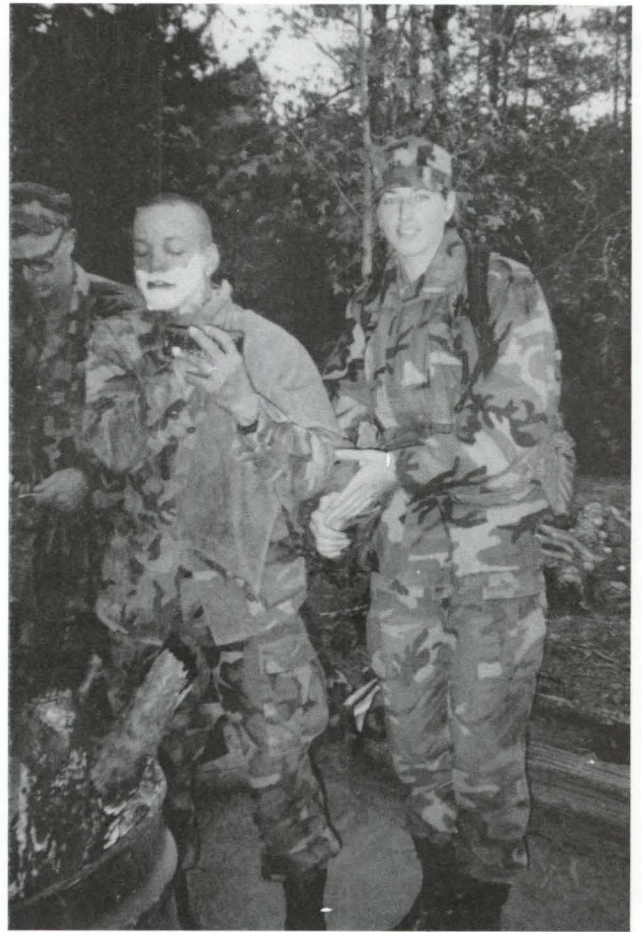
# LAND NAVIGATION FLX I



*OC Sanchez navigating.*



*On the road again.*



*OC Wolfe shaves as OC Willis warms up by the fire barrell.*

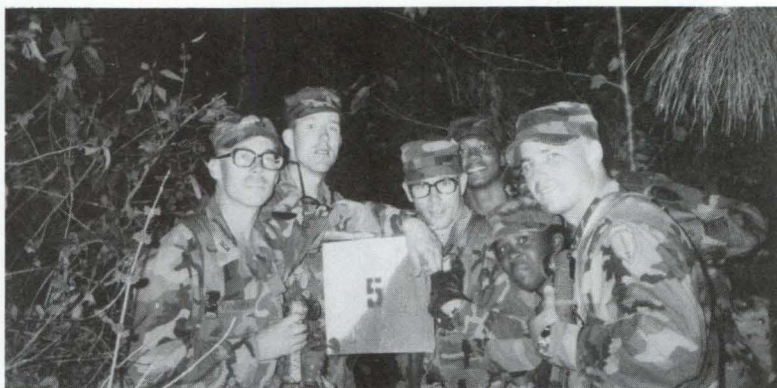


*OC Purcell watches on as OC Gregory and OC Coppage attempt to pinpoint their location during a training for Land Nav.*





***Mom, this is me and Point 38!***



***3rd PLT finds Point 5!***



***OC Dawson is stumped . . .  
"Where's Point 108?"***

***I think we go  
towards the  
signs.***



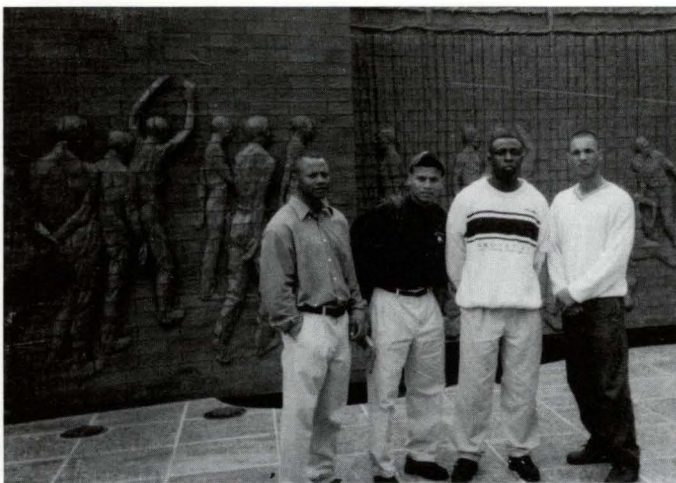


# ANDERSONVILLE



*B Co outside the gates of Andersonville.*

Class 1-00 had the opportunity to view an American historical prospective first hand at the Andersonville prisoner of war camp of the Civil War. The training objective was to expose candidates to military ethics, decision making, and American warfare. We gained a personal understanding of the daily base camp procedures, and the function of day to day decisions. Cpt. Wirz, CPR of Andersonville, was forced to make painful memories to the treatment of prisoners. This historical resource can change the future for POW's so that it is not a reproduction of the past.

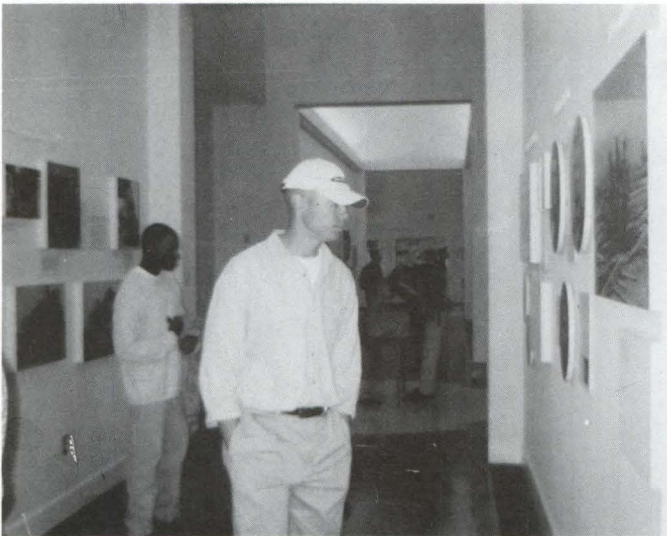


*Taking time to reflect . . . OC Garret, OC Hudson, OC Johnson, and OC Marte pose in front of the wall monument just outside of the museum at Andersonville.*



*A history lesson from CPT Hanley.*

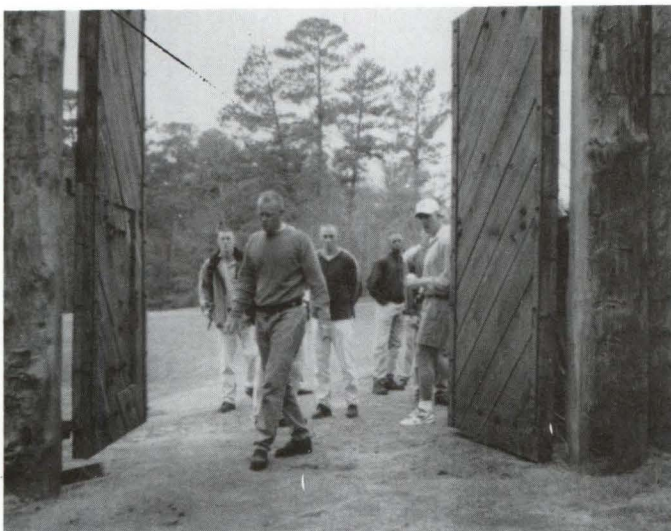




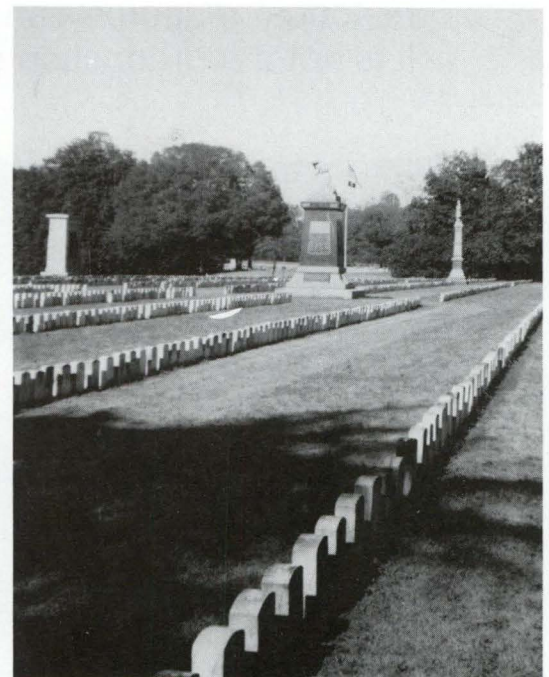
***OC Parrish at the museum.***



***A monument dedicated to the soldiers from New York.***



***Don't close the gate!***



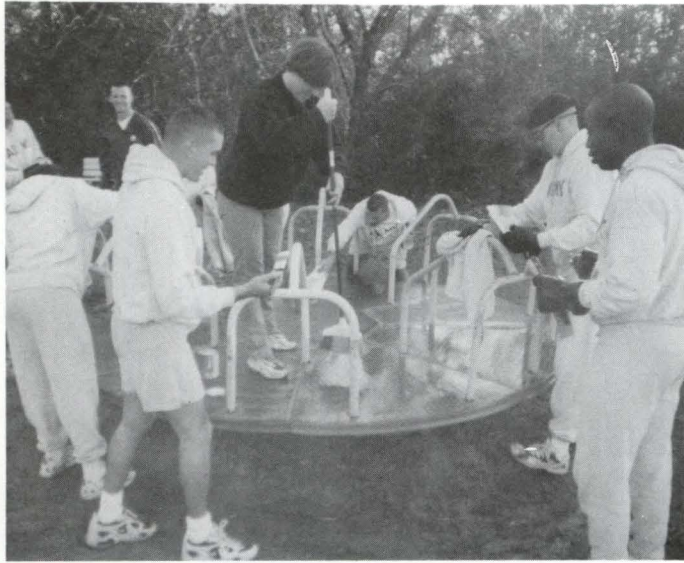
***The buried POW's.***



***The Rebels, buried alone.***



# CLASS PROJECT AT THE PLAYGROUND

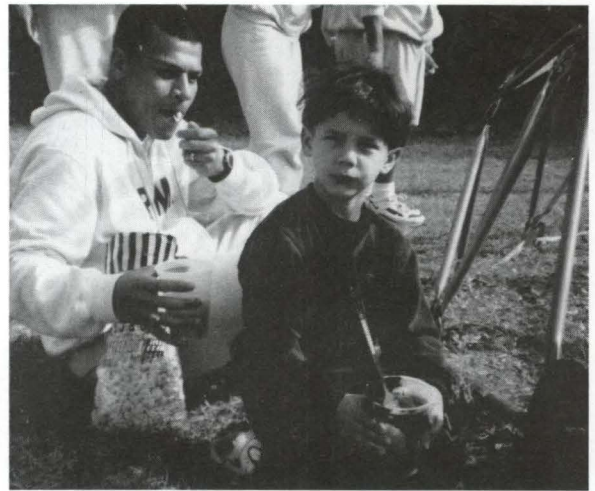


*OC Alf monkeying around again.*

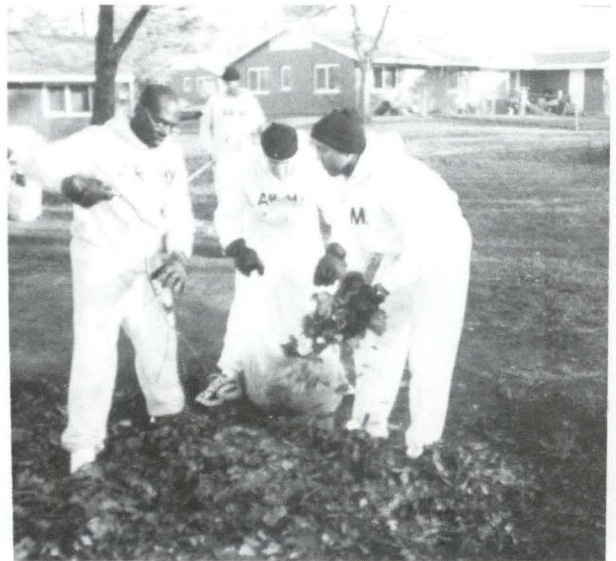


*Okay, Sport, my turn.*

*Work faster you  
clowns, I wanna  
be on pass!*



*Here you go kid . . .  
paint something, will ya!*



*Hey, Riley. Quit putting them  
in the bag one at a time.*







*Gee, ya'll, that's purty.*



*Alright, alright, I'll stop eating the paint!*



*Now Johnson, this isn't finger painting.*



*I'm on top of the world.*



*Cleaning up the Officer Carnival Show.*





# STIX LANES - FLX II

*I'll take your  
one and raise  
you twenty.*



*Grrr!  
You better move  
with a purpose  
through my chow line.*



*I never realized  
that playing with  
toy soldiers in a  
sandbox could  
be so fun.*

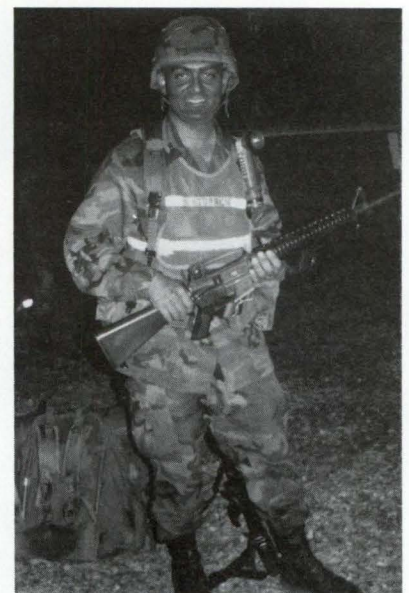




***Last one to the chow truck cleans the 60.***



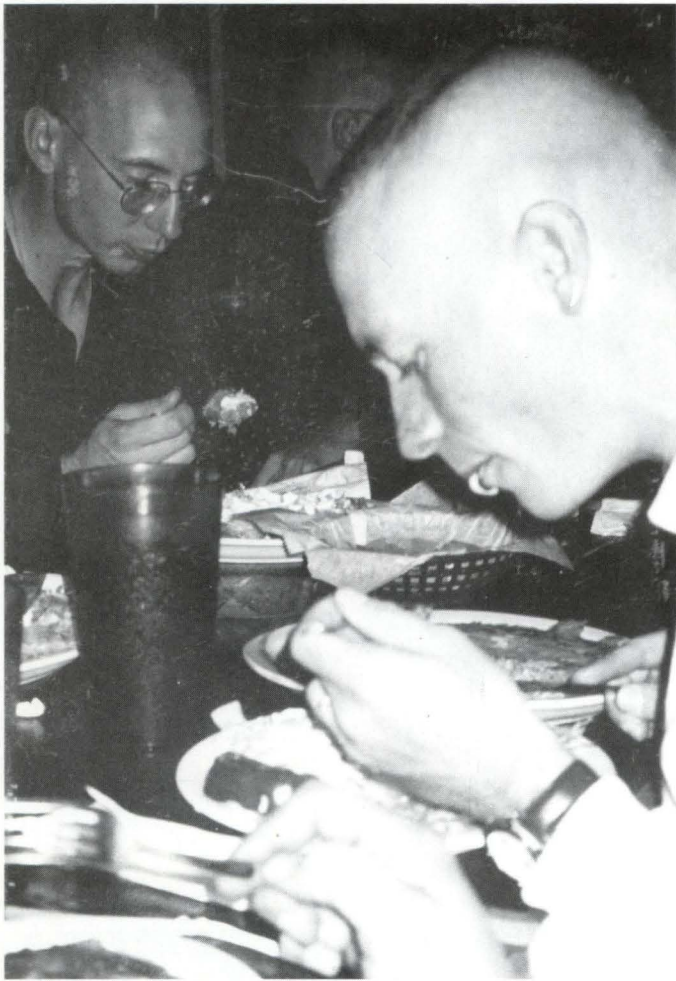
***Thank God I'm not Infantry!***



***Ready for a not so tactical, 12 mile, Tactical Road March!***



# HOLIDAY PARTY



*Mmmm, mmmm, good!*



*B Co bids farewell  
to 1LT Chesher.*



*Gee, what I've always wanted . . .  
a muldoon-autographed 5-gallon waterjug.*

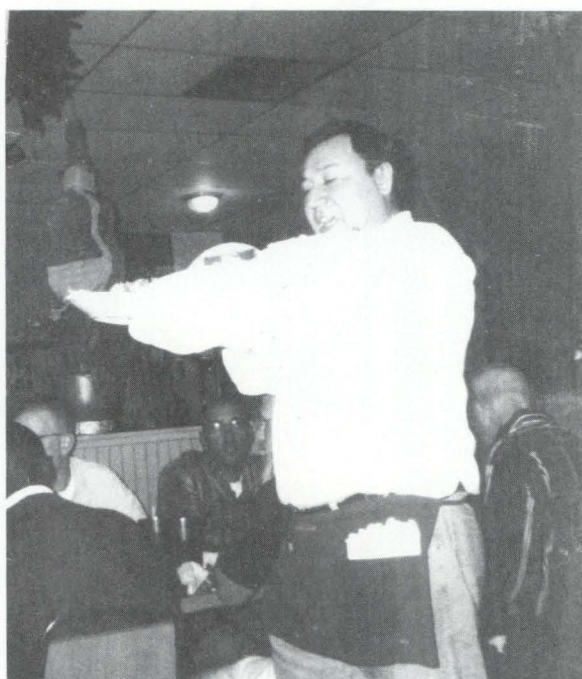




***Boy, is the service ever slow here.***



***Whether you know it, or not,  
water jug training was for your  
own professional development.***



***Lookout!  
Coming through!  
Hot Frijoles!***



# CAPSTONE FLX III

During Capstone, squads and platoons applied defensive and offensive tactics in drills such as reconnaissance, ambushes, movement to contact, and react to contact. Numerous missions occurred over the six day period allowing these new skills to be utilized. The final mission consisted of a company level exercise. All the planning and execution of this last mission was conducted by the officer candidates. This provided a real world training environment for the "Leaders of the Millenium."

***Did you know? . . .  
OC Jacobs and OC  
Sanders converse.***



***Fired it up! . . . Fourth Platoon sits by the  
fire as they prepare for the day's mission.***



***Keeping it clean . . . in the field, out of the  
field, personal hygiene is of the utmost  
importance. OC Coupel takes time to  
wash her hair at Capstone.***





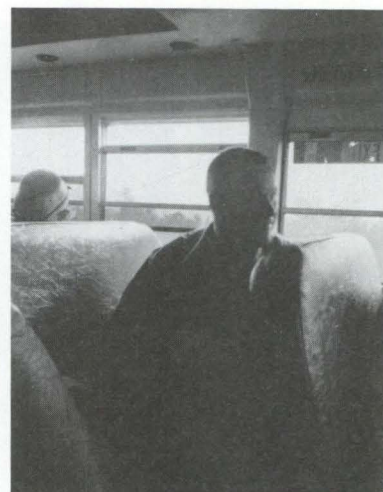
***3rd Herd . . . 3rd Platoon takes time out to pose with 1LT Almaguer.***



***And we're off . . OC Miliore and OC Plys go out on a patrol to hunt down the OPFOR.***



***2nd Platoon . . Who's pulling security?***



***Are we there yet? . . . OC Morre enjoys the bus ride to the range.***



***OC Chidester and OC Hudson are a part of the OPFOR for the company mission.***





***Listen up . . . OC Martinez briefs the days mission to fourth platoon.***



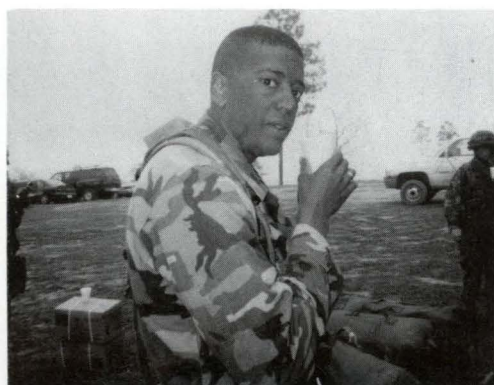
***Cold is the word . . The cold weather held off for most of Capstone; but, we came prepared. OC Migliore and OC Soles all "snivilled" up.***



***Let's Dig In . . Second Platoon spends hours digging their fighting positions for the company mission.***



***TAC assistance . . Capt. Fernandez, OC Willis, and OC Alf discuss the days mission.***



***Say What? . . OC Jacobs enjoys a nice warm cup of soup. 1st Sgt. Ermi made sure there was warm soup and coffee for all who wanted.***





***No mission is too big . . .  
OC Johnson, OC  
Stogner, OC Thomas,  
OC Scott (sitting), and  
OC Sotomayor (sitting)  
are more than ready to  
set out on the days  
mission.***



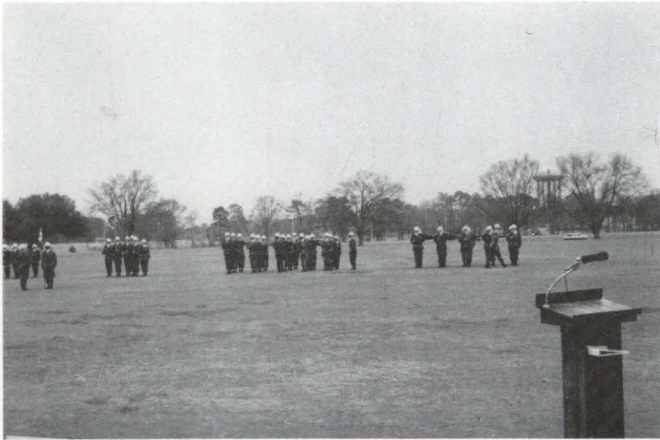
***Even when it rains . . . 3rd Platoon piles on the truck  
and happily heads out on their mission.***

***In the planning stages . . . 2nd Platoon  
preps for the next mission.***

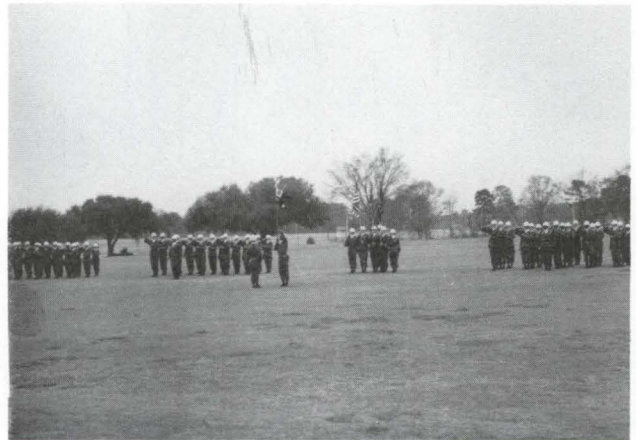




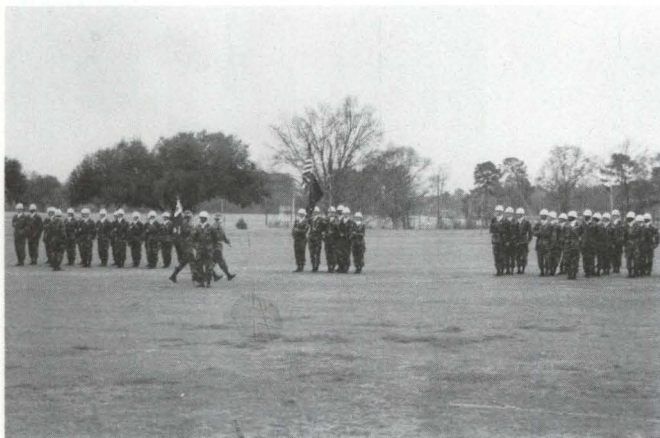
# SENIOR STATUS REVIEW



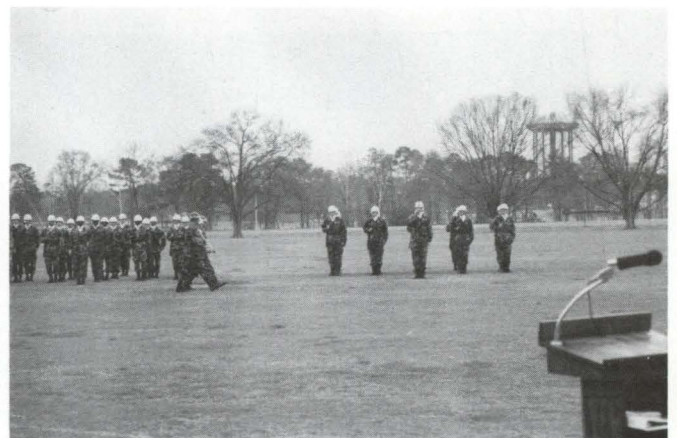
*Dress right dress.*



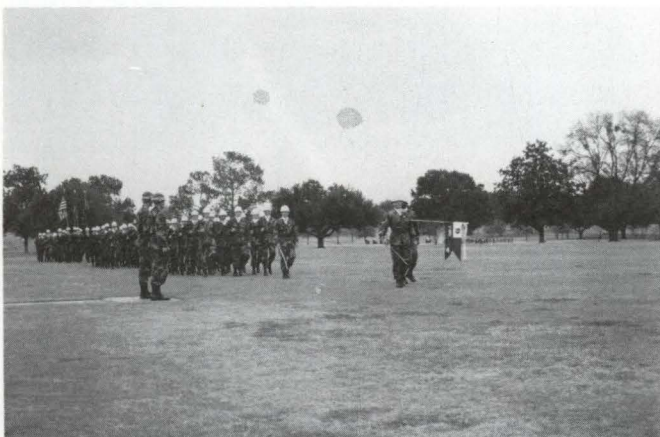
*Salute the flag.*



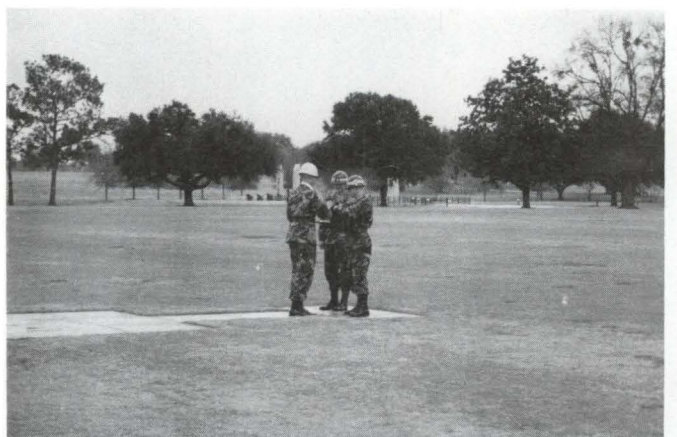
*Pass and Review.*



*Still Passing.*



*Eyes Right.*



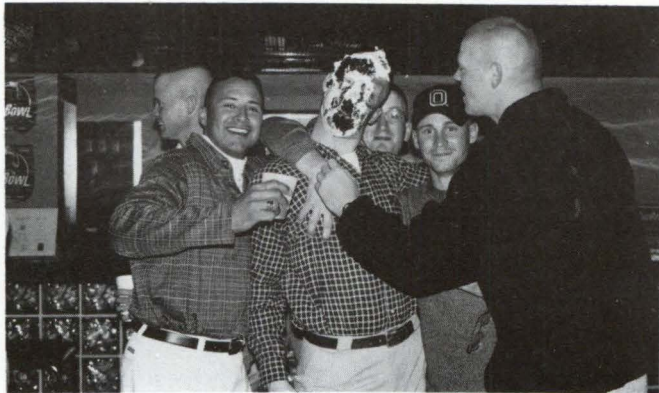
*Thank you, Col. Ferriter.*



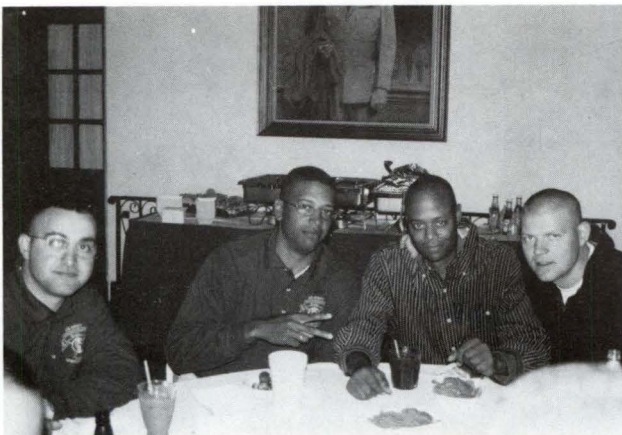
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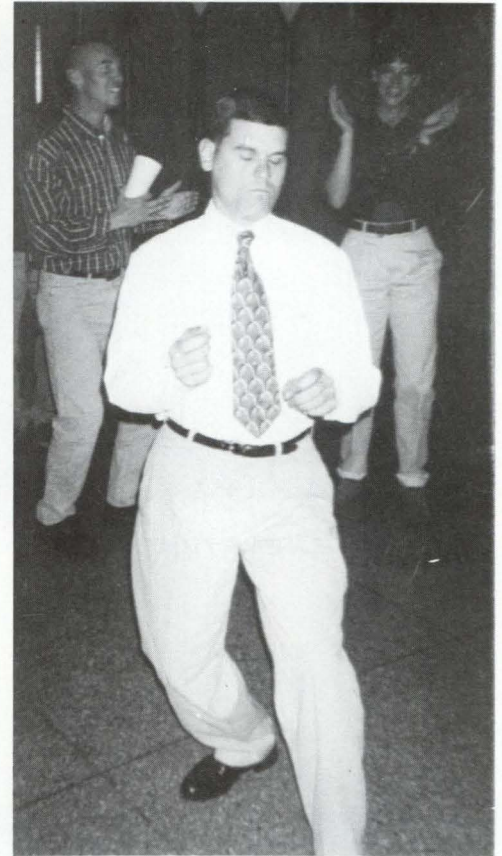
*Which one of these guys is not like the others?*



*At OCS you can have your cake and eat it too.*



*Are we having fun yet?*



*SGT Bryan . . .  
do a little dance.*



*Girls just wanna have fun . . .  
OC Coupel, OC Alf, and OC Clark*



# DINING-IN



*The Head Table*

*OC Hudson  
as Ms. Little-  
Bo-Peep.*



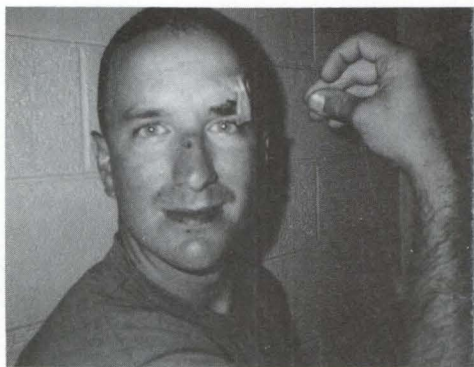
*Thank you,  
Col. Nett,  
for being our  
guest speaker.*



*3rd Platoon Looking good*



# THE TRUE MEANING OF OCS



***Officer Crippling School . . .  
OC Scudieri, above,  
with stitches; and  
OC Tijerina, right, on crutches.***



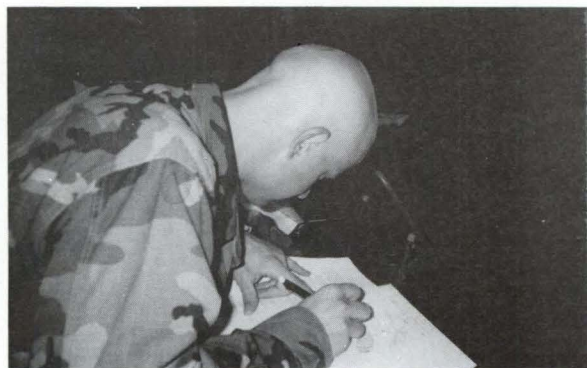
***Officer Clown School***



***Outta Cash Soon  
OC O'Connell and OC Rogers  
at the PX again.***



***Officer Comedy School  
OC Hudson attempting to  
retrieve the OP orders***



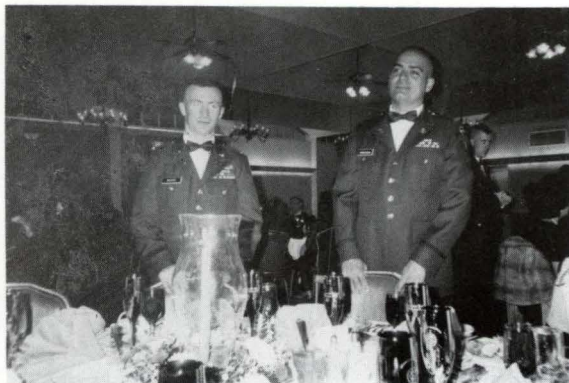
***Over Credit School  
You need 70% to pass.***



***Officer Can Sleep  
Anywhere and at anytime.***



# THE GRADUATION FORMAL





# Congratulations Sir Ryan

Roger D. Jr.

Monika

Ramon D.

Ronnie D.

Regina D.

Rochelle D.

Nephews

Geraldine G.

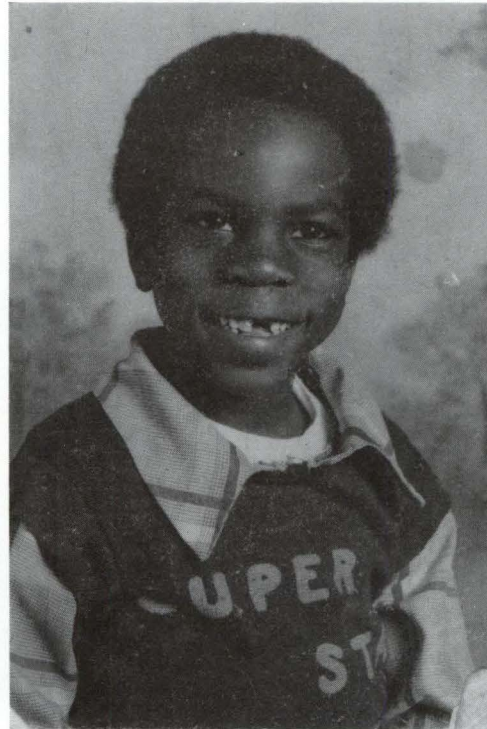
Nieces

George F

Mr. "T"

Guess Who

Tina



**We Knew You Could Do It!**  
**First The Bars Then The Stars**

Love From all Of Us  
Roger D. Gist, Sr.



As you enter a new phase of your life  
With shiny lieutenant bars and a beautiful new wife,  
Please allow us a little indulgence  
Concerning your future in Military Intelligence.

Today you're a 2nd Lieutenant and start on your way  
To complete the ranks of the Company Grades.  
Perhaps Major, Lt. Colonel and even Colonel lay  
In your military path for the next decades.

You've traveled from West Winfield to Korea,  
Now on to Arizona then the world's continents.  
Many challenges lie ahead in life's arena,  
Meet them head on and use your officer's good sense.

We wish you and the members of your class,  
Peace and strength through circumstance  
Whenever and wherever needed while those  
At home pray for the conflict to pass.

Even if you make General, you'll always be "BJ" to us.  
Our love and best wishes to a fine young officer

Mom, Dad, Scott, Steve,  
Uncle Bob, Aunt Kathryn, Molly, Jerry, "J.R." & Chris



## It's been said that the journey of a thousand miles begins with a single step . . .



We are all so proud of you for each of  
the steps you have taken as an OCS  
candidate and now as a Second  
Lieutenant. The pride and respect we hold  
for you is hard to capture in words, but is  
felt every day in our hearts as we think  
of your sincere duty and dedication  
throughout these last fourteen weeks.  
We wish you all the best as an officer and  
know that it is only the beginning of many  
more accomplishments yet to come!

With love from Your Wife, Karen,  
Hugh, Lori, Norm, and Sue



# *Dream*

... and as you dream remember  
that only you can make  
your dreams come true.

# *Reach*

and as you reach remember  
that success takes time,  
devotion, and sometimes  
a little heartbreak

# *Believe*

... and as you believe  
you will find reaching gets easier,  
setbacks more manageable.  
Life becomes more meaningful.

*T*here's a wonderful dream  
waiting just for you ...  
I know you can make it come true.



*Dedicated To My Husband  
Ryan*

"I'm proud of you!"

With Love  
Your Wife Monika



Stretched,  
belittle, broken,  
bent, torn, played,  
bewildered,  
thrown,  
exhausted,  
dishevelled,  
nauseated,  
harassed, formed,  
driven;



shaped, pushed,  
confused, pulled,  
twisted, spent,  
bruised, sprained,  
removed,  
motivated,  
embarrassed,  
unappreciated,  
molded,  
loved.

Thank you for enduring all that you have for us.

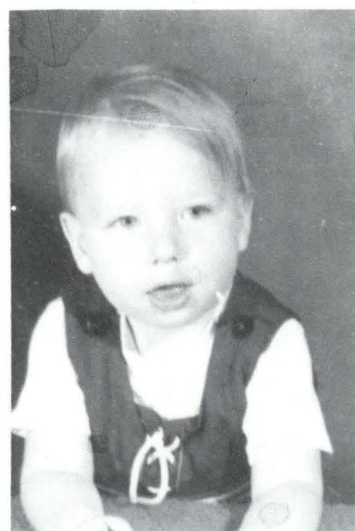
para 2LT Veronica A. Carroll de Su daniel

Your Mom is looking down from  
Heaven with a smile. She is proud and  
pleased of all you have accomplished  
and become. Let her spirit always be  
the wind beneath your wings!

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An Officer is only as good as the  
integrity displayed and word kept. To  
that end, in matters of style, swim  
with the current; in matters of  
principle, stand like a rock.  
Congratulations as you embark on an  
exciting and rewarding career.

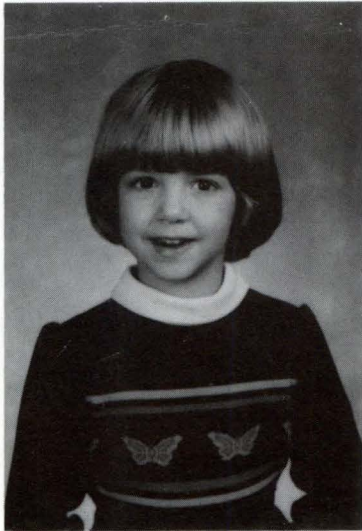
We Love You!  
Dad and Susan



Way To Go Bro!!!  
Rob and Dan



# To Our Dearest Daughter and Sister Jennifer



So do not fear, for I am your God.  
I will strengthen you and help you;  
I will uphold you with my  
righteous right hand.

We have always been proud of you . . .  
but never more so than today.

We Love You!  
Mom, Dad, Wesley & Treasa

We have always known that you could  
be anything you wanted to be.  
You have worn many hats and this one  
works great. The shoe fits now, so  
walk in it proudly and carefully.

Your sisters admire you,  
your little niece adores you,  
and Mom and Dad believe in you!

We salute you, "LT" Class of 2000

Love Mom, Dad, Sally, Rose & Gayle  
and Niece Gracen





## **2LT Janet L. Thomas**

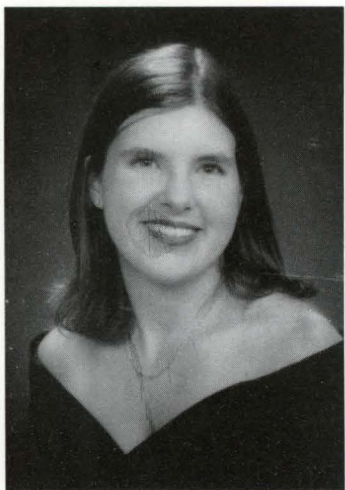
You have worked really hard to reach a goal, to meet every challenge and see a dream through.

The pride of your accomplishment, must bring you great joy, and it makes us to very proud of you, too.

Your husband, your family and friends, wish you a happiness and success in whatever life brings.

Congratulations, "Ma'am"!

Love,  
Paul, Mom, Jeff, and Bruce



**Duty, Honor, Country**

**2LT Alf**

We are very proud of you, Kelly, and we are certain that you will continue to excell in the service of our country.

The Alf Family

**Congratulations OCS Graduate  
(Class 1-00)**

## **Elizabeth Coupel**

What a profound accomplishment. This is indeed a proud day for you and your family. You believed in yourself and through a lot of hard work and determination, you made your dream come true.

We love you and are extremely happy for you.

Mom, Dad, Rebecca, Ron,  
Kim, Natalie & Justin



**Congratulations**

## **Deliah M. Woods**

We are all very proud of you and your accomplishments. You have achieved a successful beginning to a challenging career. Keep up the good work!

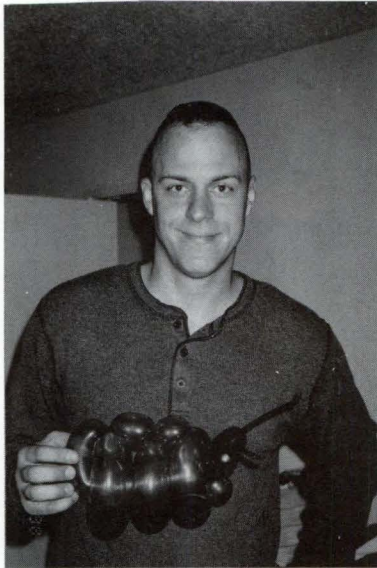
Good Luck In All You Do!!

Tiffany and Marvin  
Nichole and Dashille

**"If you're not living on the edge,  
you're taking up too much room."**

-- J. Howard





**Lookout staples...Here he comes!**

**We are so proud of you!!**

Love - Suzanne, Linnea "The Bug",  
and Garrison

## **To My Daddy,**

The entire family and I wanted you to  
know how proud of you we are.  
All the worry and separation has been  
worth it now. We love you and are  
"Proud" of you Lt. Parks.

Love  
Zachary Parks

**Congratulations**

**OCS Graduate  
Robert Hudson**

We are so proud of  
you and love you more  
than you'll ever know!

Your family,  
Jacqueline, Sade and Iris

**Congratulations  
Norm!**

I'm so proud  
of you!

**I Love You!**

Love, Brenda

## **To Our Son Gregory Earl Curry II**

Words cannot describe the pride we feel  
both in you as a young man and  
in all you have accomplished.

As you have often been told, all you do  
reflects not only upon you, but also upon  
your family, friends, and community.  
At this moment we all bask in the glow  
of that reflection!

**Good Luck and God Bless!**

We Love You,  
Mom & Dad

## **Way To Go Class of 1-00**



**Congratulations OCS Graduate  
Virgil Grant Robitzsch**

We are so proud of you! We love you and  
look forward to all the future holds!

Your True Companions  
Toni Nate



## 2ND LIEUTENANT DELIAH MELITTA WOODS

**"BE ALL THAT YOU CAN BE."**

I've only just a minute, only sixty seconds in it.  
Forced upon me, can't refuse it, didn't seek it, didn't choose it,  
but it's up to me to use it. I must suffer if I lose it,  
give an account if I abuse it.  
Just a tiny little minute, but eternity is in it.

**CONGRATULATIONS!**

Mom & Dad

To the Members of the First Platoon,

This is an attempt to convey my sincere gratitude for the kindness you have shown to me and my family.

Just saying thank you cannot begin to express how much your gift has meant to me. I will never forget how I felt during mail call when I received the letter from Berenice Gomez. Your gift was a wonderful example of selflessness and instilled in me the spirit of the season. When I saw my daughter at the airport she looked at me and said, "Daddy, I think my wish came true."

As I look back on the holidays with found memories, I have you, my brothers and sisters of first platoon to thank.

Maddogs Lead The Way!

Respectfully,  
Kenneth L. Toothman, Jr.



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