



**Class Narrative Class 24-67 B-2
14 March 1967 – 18 August 1967
U.S. Army Armor School OCS**



Class 24-67, Company B-2 started the OCS program on Tuesday 14 March 1967 and graduated on Friday 18 August 1967. The class was the 40th class at Fort Knox since the Army closed OCS there on 12 May 1953, and the 44th Armor Branch class during the Vietnam War Era. Starting the class with 96 “butter-bar-hopefuls”, four OCs from other classes were recycled into the class. Of these 100, thirty either resigned from the program or were relieved, four were recycled to other classes and 66 graduated and earned their “butter-bar” when they were commissioned Second Lieutenants in the Armor branch. The four individuals that were recycled all graduated. One with Class 26-67, A1 and three with Class 28-67, F1. The class average was 84.55.

The Distinguished Honor Graduate was Philip E. Lucas. The Honor Graduate was Richard A. Poetker, and the Distinguished Military Graduates were David M. Abercrombie, James H. Batton, Eddie D. Helton and Robert L. Cummings, Jr. David M. Abercrombie was the winner of Military Stakes. The number of points he scored out of a possible 1000 was redacted from the company roster.

Three graduates attended flight school. Two members of the class were killed in action in Vietnam and fourteen other members of 24-67 have joined them at Fiddler’s Green since their military service. Ten class members have been located.

There was no news article in Inside the Turret about the class graduation.

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