

8th BATALION, 17th FIELD ARTILLERY

As of 1971

LINEAGE

REGULAR ARMY (inactive)

Constituted 1 July 1916 in the Regular Army as Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 2d Battalion 17th Field Artillery. Organized 6 June 1917 at Camp Robinson, Wisconsin (17th Field Artillery assigned 21 September 1917 to the 2d Division; relieved 18 December 1920 from assignment to the 2d Division) Reorganized and redesignated in March 1921 as Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment and Combat Train, 2nd Battalion, 17th Field Artillery. Redesignated 1 July 1924 as Headquarters and Headquarters Battery and Combat Train, 2nd Battalion, 17th Field Artillery. (17th Field Artillery assigned 22 July 1929 to the 1st Division; relieved 1 January 1930 from assignment to the 1st Division and assigned to the 2d Division.) Reorganized and redesignated in December 1938 as Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 2nd Battalion, 17th Field Artillery (Combat Train concurrently separated from Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 2nd Battalion, 17th Field Artillery – hereafter separate lineage) (17th Field Artillery relieved 16 October 1939 from assignment to the 2d Division.)

Reorganized and redesignated 14 February 1944 as Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 630th Field Artillery Battalion. Inactivated 22 February 1946 at Camp Kilmer, New Jersey. Redesignated 5 February 1947 as Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 537th Field Artillery Battalion. Activated 1 October 1948 at Camp Carson, Colorado. Inactivated 25 June 1958 at Fort Sill, Oklahoma.

Redesignated 31 July 1959 as Headquarters and Headquarters Battery, 8th Battalion, 17th Artillery. Activated 1 August 1967 at Fort Campbell, Kentucky (organic elements constituted 18 April 1967 and activated 1 August 1967) Battalion inactivated 30 June 1971 at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. Redesignated 1 September 1971 as the 8th Battalion, 17th Field Artillery.

HONORS

Campaign Participation Credit

World War I: * Aisne; * Aisne-Marne; * St. Mihiel; * Meuse-Argonne; * Lorraine 1918;
* Ile de France 1918

World War II: * Tunisia; * Sicily (with arrowhead); * Naples-Foggia; * Rome-Arno;
* Southern France; * Rhineland; * Ardennes-Alsace; * Central Europe

Korean War: * UN Defensive; UN Offensive; * CCF Intervention; * First UN Counteroffensive;
* CCF Spring Offensive; * UN Summer-Fall Offensive; * Second Korean Winter;
* Korean, Summer-Fall 1952; * Third Korean Winter; * Korea, Summer 1953

Decorations

* French Croix de Guerre with Palm, World War I, Streamer embroidered AISNE-MARNE
(17th Field Artillery, cited; WD GO 11, 1924)

* French Croix de Guerre with Palm, World War I, Streamer embroidered MEUSE-ARGONNE
(17th Field Artillery, cited; WD GO 11, 1924)

* French Croix de Guerre, World War I, Fourragere
(17th Field Artillery, cited; WD GO 11, 1924)

* French Croix de Guerre with Palm, World War II, Streamer embroidered VOSGES
(630th Field Artillery Battalion, cited; DA GO 43, 1950)

* French Croix de Guerre with Silver-Gilt, World War II, Streamer embroidered ROME-ARNO
(630th Field Artillery Battalion, cited; DA GO 43, 1950)