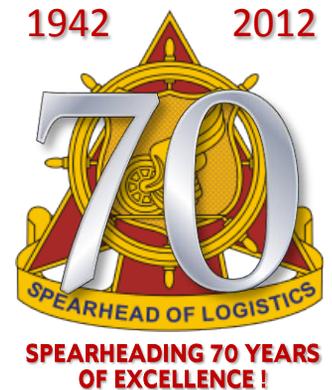
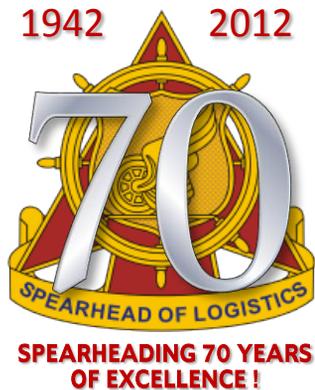


# *U.S. Army Transportation Corps 2012 Hall of Fame Inductee*



**CSM (R) Larry H. Orvis**

Command Sergeant Major (Retired) Larry H. Orvis was drafted in 1964 and began his 28 year military career as a truck driver in the 78<sup>th</sup> Transportation Company in Bremerhaven, Germany. In June 1967, he deployed to Vietnam and became a Squad Leader for the 62<sup>nd</sup> Transportation Company. Later while in Vietnam, he became the Night Operations Sergeant for the Transportation Group which required him to accompany day convoys. During 1968-70, he served as a Light Vehicle Drivers Course Instructor at Ft Huachuca. In 1970-71, he was assigned as an Active Army Advisor to a Transportation Group in Laurel, MS. Later in 1971, he again deployed to the Republic of Vietnam where he served as the 39<sup>th</sup> Battalion Operations NCO to support the drawdown of troops and equipment from the DMZ. After his return in 1972-73, he was again tasked as an Operations NCO, this time for the 6/20<sup>th</sup> FA and eventually as a Platoon Sergeant for the 2/34<sup>th</sup> Armor. In 1974-77, he returned to Bremerhaven, Germany as an instructor in the TASCOM NCO academy and later as the NCOIC/Customs Officer in the Installation Transportation Office. In this capacity, he acquired a thorough understanding of the politics of movements of troops and equipment in such countries as Germany, Norway, Sweden, Finland, the Netherlands, and Great Britain. In 1977-80, he was assigned to Ft Devens where he worked with RC units throughout the New England states. In 1980, he served in Korea as the First Sergeant of the 60<sup>th</sup> Transportation Company where he worked along with 250 Korean troops. In 1981-85, he served as First Sergeant of the 119<sup>th</sup> Transportation Company, which provided great understanding of stevedore and port operations, and then with the 24<sup>th</sup> Transportation Battalion. After his attendance to the United States Army Sergeants Major Academy in 1985, he became the Command Sergeant Major of the 1<sup>st</sup> Movements Region/27<sup>th</sup> Transportation Battalion which operated throughout the Netherlands, Germany, Denmark and Sweden. From 1986-88, CSM Orvis led the 4<sup>th</sup> Transportation Command. He returned to Ft Eustis as Command Sergeant Major for the 8<sup>th</sup> Transportation Brigade and later as the 3<sup>rd</sup> TC Regimental Command Sergeant Major and NCO Academy Commandant until his retirement in 1992.

His awards include the Legion of Merit, Bronze Star, Meritorious Service Medal, Vietnam Service Medal and Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal.

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