

# HEADQUARTERS AND HEADQUARTERS COMPANY 10th AVIATION BATTALION

## HERALDIC ITEMS

### DISTINCTIVE INSIGNIA (BADGE)

*Description:* A gold distinctive insignia consisting of a blue annulet surmounted by a pair of gold wings; overall a black bolt barbed and flighted gold. Beneath and crossing in front of the bolt a gold scroll inscribed "Soldiers of the Sky" in black letters, the ends of the scroll terminating at the annulet.

*Symbolism:* The wings represent the aviation function. The bolt, sometimes called a "quarrel," is a type of arrow used with the crossbow; it stands for the military personnel transported by the battalion. The annulet, symbol of fidelity, refers to the unit's faithfulness to duty. The bolt and the annulet, simulating a one and a zero, refer to the battalion's numerical designation.

### FLAG DEVICE

The flag device is the same as the distinctive insignia (badge).

## LINEAGE AND HONORS

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(inactive)

Constituted 21 August 1965 in the Regular Army as Headquarters and Headquarters Detachment, 10th Aviation Battalion. Activated 23 August 1965 at Fort Benning, Georgia. Redesignated 1 December 1968 as Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 10th Aviation Battalion. Inactivated 30 December 1980 at Fort Lewis, Washington.

### CAMPAIGN PARTICIPATION CREDIT

#### *Vietnam*

Defense  
Counteroffensive  
Counteroffensive, Phase II  
Counteroffensive, Phase III  
Tet Counteroffensive  
Counteroffensive, Phase IV  
Counteroffensive, Phase V  
Counteroffensive, Phase VI

Tet 69/Counteroffensive  
Summer-Fall 1969  
Winter-Spring 1970  
Sanctuary Counteroffensive  
Counteroffensive, Phase VII  
Consolidation I  
Consolidation II

## DECORATIONS

Valorous Unit Award, Streamer embroidered TUY HOA VALLEY (10th Aviation Battalion cited; DA GO 17, 1968)

Valorous Unit Award, Streamer embroidered DAK TO (10th Aviation Battalion cited; DA GO 73, 1968)

Meritorious Unit Commendation, Streamer embroidered VIETNAM 1965–1966 (10th Aviation Battalion cited; DA GO 17, 1968)

Meritorious Unit Commendation, Streamer embroidered VIETNAM 1966–1967 (10th Aviation Battalion cited; DA GO 17, 1968)

Republic of Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Palm, Streamer embroidered VIETNAM 1966–1967 (10th Aviation Battalion cited; DA GO 22, 1968, as amended by DA GO 59, 1969)

Republic of Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Palm, Streamer embroidered VIETNAM 1967–1968 (10th Aviation Battalion cited; DA GO 21, 1969, as amended by DA GO 59, 1969)

Republic of Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Palm, Streamer embroidered VIETNAM 1969–1970 (10th Aviation Battalion cited; DA GO 6, 1974)

Republic of Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Palm, Streamer embroidered VIETNAM 1970–1972 (10th Aviation Battalion cited; DA GO 6, 1974)

Republic of Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Gold Star, Streamer embroidered VIETNAM 1970 (10th Aviation Battalion cited; DA GO 5, 1973)

## 10TH AVIATION BATTALION BIBLIOGRAPHY

No published histories.