

## US Army, Retired

NDR Hall of Fame Induction: 5 April 1986 NSU Hall of Fame, the Long Purple Line: 1992

Lieutenant General LaBoa was born in Houston, TX. He graduated from Northwestern State College with a Bachelor of Science and was commissioned through Northwestern's ROTC program.

General LaBoa took command of First US Army in July 1995. He also served as Chief of Staff, US Army Forces Command and Commander, Second US Army, from May 1995-July 1995.

General LaBoa held many command and staff positions, including S-3 (Operations) Officer, Company Commander, and Executive Officer, 1st Battalion (Mechanized), 5th Infantry, 25th Infantry Division, Vietnam; Infantry Branch Personnel Officer, US Army Military Personnel Center, Alexandria, VA; S-3 (Operations) Officer, 1st Battalion, 15th Infantry, 3rd Infantry Division (Mechanized), Germany; Commander, 2nd Battalion, 15th Infantry Division, 3rd Infantry Division (Mechanized), Germany; Assistant Chief of Staff, G3/Director, Plans and Training; Inspector General, 5th Infantry Division (Mechanized), Fort Polk, LA; Commander, 1st Brigade and Chief of Staff, 8th Infantry Division (Mechanized), Germany; Deputy Director for Operations (NMCC); J-3 Operations Directorate, Office of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, Washington, DC; Assistant Division Commander (Support), 4th Infantry Division (Mechanized), Fort Carson, CO; J-3 Director/Operations Officer, US Army Forces Command, Fort McPherson, GA; and Commander, 4th Infantry Division (Mechanized), Fort Carson, CO.

His awards and decorations include the Distinguished Service Medal, Silver Star, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star with V Device, Purple Heart, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Meritorious Service Medal, Air Medal with V Device, Joint Chief of Staff Identification Badge, Combat Infantryman Badge, Parachutist Badge, and the Pathfinder Badge.

General LaBoa is a graduate of the Infantry Officer's Basic and Advanced Courses, the Air Command and Staff College, and the Army War College. He retired from military service in 1997.

Lieutenant General LaBoa is married to the former Patricia Berry. They have three children, Anthony, Tracey, and Mary Kaye.