



LTC CHARLES L. "SANDY" MCNEELY
US Army, Retired

NDR Hall of Fame Induction: 11 March 2017

LTC McNeely commissioned in the Military Police Corps in 1964 through Northwestern State College. He first served as Operations/Administrative Officer, 52nd Criminal Investigation Detachment, Mannheim, Germany. At the 537th Military Police Company, he was a Platoon Leader before assuming duties as the Mannheim Area Provost Marshal.

In 1967, he arrived in Qui Nhon, Vietnam, to serve as Battalion Operations and Intelligence Officer, 93rd Military Police Battalion. He commanded the 111th MP Company, Fort McClellan, AL, and then attended the MP Officer's Advanced Course. He was selected to instruct the Civil Disturbance Orientation Course. In 1970, he commanded A Company, 504th Military Police Battalion, as well Provost Marshall of the Phu Bai Area in I Corps. In DaNang, he served as Operations Officer, again for the 504th Military Police Battalion. He then returned stateside to serve as an instructor for the US Army Military Police School.

LTC McNeely separated from active duty in 1972. He became active in the Army Reserve and served as the Administrative Officer, 1st Region Criminal Investigation Detachment, Fort Meade, MD, and then Assistant Operations Officer, Provost Marshal Office, FORSCOM HQ, Fort McPherson, GA. He is a Command and General Staff College Honor Graduate and a graduate of the CGSC Instructor Course. He transferred to the 4158th Reserve Forces School, Shreveport, where he instructed Command and General Staff College Courses at Fort Polk, LA, until his military retirement in June 1992.

LTC McNeely worked for over 33 years with the Internal Revenue Service of the US Treasury Department. He has served as President of the LA Pecan Growers Association and Board Member of the National Pecan Marketing Council. He is a member of the Scottish Society of the LA Highlands and a past Board Member of the Natchitoches Kiwanis Club; President, Natchitoches Arts and Humanities Council; and a member of the St. Denis Players Troupe and the Community Theater Group. He served as Commissioner on the Parish Planning Commission. He is a Life Member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and a Board Member and Secretary for the Colfax Banking Company, Colfax, LA. He is a charter member and past President of the Natchitoches Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution (SAR), and serves as the JROTC/ROTC Committee Chairman of the Louisiana Society, SAR.

LTC McNeely was the first Adjutant of the NSU Demon Regiment. He was instrumental in developing the ROTC alumni database and creating the Assistant Adjutant Program for each class.

LTC McNeely is married to his former St. Mary's schoolmate, Lee B. (Dootsie) McNeely. They have four children and three grandchildren.