

USMA Class of 1979 Records.

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Please provide corrections/updates and suggestions (new entries) to Greg Banner
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Key Statistics:

Admitted as cadets in 1975 - 1407 (896 who graduated and 511 who did not graduate with class)
(Numbers do not include turn-backs into '79)

233 prepsters received appointments to West Point from our class, 151 were Presidential appts
from Gerald Ford.

Numbers in Class (include all '79):

21 Feb 76 - 1202

9 Jun 76 - 1183

29 Jan 77 - 1083

29 Jan 78 - 956

27 Jan 79 - 926

6 Jun 79 – 882 graduated

We had 41 "summer school" graduate classmates: 1 on 6/14; 1 on 6/19; 25 on July 6;
7 on Aug 3; 1 on Aug 22; 1 on Dec 12; and 5 on Dec. 22.

923 total graduates:

Of those who graduated, the following were their admission dates:

5 (3 July '73 (Fm Class of '77)); 22 (8 July '74 (Fm Class of '78)); 895 (7 July '75); 1 (9 July '75)

Original Class of '79 cadets who were turned back and graduated with other classes:

18 with Class of '80

3 with Class of '81

1 with Class of '82 (Ended up being the First Captain for '82 – John Nicholson!!)

RECORDS and DATA:

At/Before USMA:

Classmate who attended the USAFA Prep School. Kirk Thomas
First to live at West Point – Brendan Flanagan (born at WP hospital 13 Apr 56 and did not leave the place until 6 June 79)
First Eagle Scout (yes, before getting to West Point!) – Bob Drumm (27 Nov 1967)
Most USMA '79 class students from same HS: Fort Hunt High School, Alexandria, VA
(Dave Vinson, Mike Austin, Bruce Graham, John Turner, Harry Argo, Mike Boatner, Keith Rea, Dave Van Cleve, Tom Quinn, Carl Grantham, Greg Phillips)
4-year Corps Squad Sport Lettermen – Jim Hartman, Pat Sherman (Water Polo), Jim McGorry (Lacrosse), Phil Macklin, Clennie Brundidge and Kirk Thomas (Football); Pat Harris, Scott Easton, Clennie Brundidge, Matt Brown (basketball)
Lettermen in two unrelated sports – Brendan Flanagan (hockey and soccer); Clennie Brundidge (Football and basketball); Steve Smith (Football and basketball)
Jim Hartman & Pat Sherman (Also Team Captain). Only 4 year letterman in Water Polo in Academy History (?). (Water Polo only being a Corps Squad sport for a limited number of years.)
4 Gold Stars for Corps squad victories over navy - Dave "P-Bear" Patterson (Track)
Class #1 Graduate - Bert Mizusawa
Last Class Graduate (6 June 1979) -
Last Class Graduates (w/added schooling) - Tiki Traylor, Mike Grant, Kurt Hill, Art Sobers Thomas Wilbur Williams (22 December 1979)
(Thomas Williams has the last Cullum number in the Class)
Most area tours - Rich Lochner (310 hours)
Most room confinement hours - Tom Spellissy (240 hours)
Biggest "slug" – Rich Lochner (100 hours)
Most consecutive time assigned to West Point – Mike Edleson – July '86- present (as of Jul '02)
(4 years active duty, remainder as IMA)
Most time living at West Point – Rick Hoff (29 years as of May 2009)
Duffy Brothers. Three brothers in same class (Class of '79) - Academy record for all of the academies.

Personal/Family:

Oldest Classmate - James Philip Clarahan (b: 7 October, 1952)
Youngest Classmate - Isaac V. Mc Kissick. (b: 7 June 1958).
Most relatives to graduate from West Point (back in history, any relative by blood or marriage which can be claimed). George Withers (11) (George K. Withers (grandfather, '25); Donald C. Little (grandfather, '31); George K. Withers Jr (father, 56); Donald C. Little Jr (uncle, 56); Geoffrey D. Withers (uncle '62); William W. Little (uncle, 63); Benjamin G. Withers (uncle, 74); Gregory H. Little (cousin, '83); Donald C. Little III (cousin, '84); [my grandmother remarried to a Donald S. Burns ('20), who became my step-grandfather and his son, Donald A. Burns (step-uncle, '62)]
Most immediate family members to graduate from West Point (parents, siblings, spouse, children)
- David Hergenroeder (4) (Father ('55) and brothers ('78, '80, '89))
First Marriage - George Kather (w/Suzy 1300 6 June 79?); Dave Patterson. (w/ Melinda at 1700 6 Jun 79)
First Marriage to another West Point graduate. Robert Hahn (to Brynne Sheets. May 28, 1980).
Last one to get married for the first time – Tom Kee and Kathlene (Cissie) Gannon. (17 Feb 05)
First Child - Mark West (Victor West born on 14 Mar 80)
First Grandchild - William Duffy (Ryan Thomas Matheny, born 15 July 00)
First Child entering an academy - Steve Arata and Lee Staab (Children in USMA '02)
Note* Mike Sullivan (ex-'79, associate AOG member) had son USMA 2000
Three Children attending Academies – Albert Gomez (2 USMA, 1 USMMA)
Two Children attending West Point – Lee Staab, Steve Arata, Al Yarmie, Dave Veney, JJ Cook, Jerry Bowling

Only Sister graduating from West Point – Jim Treharne (Deb Treharne '80)
First child to graduate airborne school – Gerald Tabin (May 2001)
First child getting a combat patch. Doug Busch (son Brad Busch for duty in Afghanistan, 11 Sep 02)
First child with a combat patch/CIB to attend West Point – Michael Yarmie (son of A.J. Yarmie).
USMA 2012
Most immediate family members with combat patches (or equivalent from other services)
(parents, siblings, spouse, children) Matthew Duffy (4) – (Father -- USMC (WWII); Ken (Brother)-
- 173rd, Vietnam; Brother (Pat) 1st Gulf War; Son (Darrell) -- Second Gulf War)
Most Total Children – Tom Hagen (8)
Most Biological Children – Larry Uland (7)
Most Adopted Children – Tom Hagen (6)
Classmate with youngest child (latest birth date) – Don Thiel. (Jacob Ryan Thiel born to Tayler &
Don Thiel. 1 July 2009)
Most Grandchildren – Dave Couvelha (6)

First classmate in-laws (children married): On Saturday 2 May 2009, LT Jeffrey Cox, son of BG
and Mrs. Kendall Cox, and Emily Bowling, daughter of LTC (R) and Mrs. Jerry Bowling, were
married in a perfect West Point wedding at the Cadet Chapel.

Classmates to have children as cadets room together. Tim Mathis and Ray Freeland ('79) with
daughters Cadet Candace Mathis and Cadet Laura Freeland (2004) as roommates.

Classmates on magazine covers:

Sam Colella & Mark Dilandro. Army Times (Picture wearing 12th man shirts for Army-Navy
game. Probably December 1978)
Brian Keller, "Parade" Magazine, 8 Jan 1978, cover story. Was pictured in parade uniform along
with a female cadet and the caption: "Should Your Son or Daughter Go To a Service Academy?"
Rick Dalzell. "RT" (Retail Technology) magazine. 96/97 (Article on Wal-mart)
Pat Forrester. Oct 2003. "Soldiers" Magazine. (Picture of him doing a space walk – Aug 2001)
Rick Jordan. "Soldiers" Magazine. 1984. (Burial Detail with the "Old Guard")
Alex Perwich. "Connections: The Official Magazine of the Georgia Society of Association
Executives". Summer 2004. (CEO of The Golden Key International Honor Society)
Joe Reed. "EurArmy" Magazine. Oct 1982. (Fulda Marathon)
Don Welch. "Communication News". June 2003. (Article on West Point)
Kevin Zenner. "Company" Magazine. Fall, 1985; "America" magazine (Name only), October
28, 1989.
William Sandbrook:
* "New Jersey Constructor" Magazine; February, 1999 (highlighted
Tilcon New York - New Jersey)
* "AGGMAN", Aggregates Management & Operations; Named The AGGMAN
Professional of the Year 2001; January, 2002
* "The Journal News", Business Outlook section; Named Rockland's
Business Leader of Year; March, 2002
Tom Cole. "Defense Systems" 14 Sept 2009.

Military Promotions and Assignments:

First O-4 (active Army)- Jeff Gunzhauser (& Jeff Hrutkay ?) (30 Sep 88)
First O-5 (active Army) – Sam Gemar ('91?)
First O-6 (active Army) - Jim Moran (1 June 98)
First O-6 (USAR/NG) - Kent Abernathy (1 Oct 2001)
First General Officer - Jim Moran (date of rank), Leo Brooks (Frocked early)
First General Officer (USAR) – Jeff Jacobs and Bert Mizusawa (selected April 2005)
First MG – Mike Oates

First LTG - Robert W. Cone (15 Sept 09)
First Company Commander - Doug Busch (B/1-3rd Basic Training Brigade, Fort Leonard Wood, MO, Nov 80.)
First Battalion Commander (active Army) – Bob Cone (5 Oct 1994 for 1st SQN, 3d ACR)
First Brigade Commander (active Army) - Mike Oates (Aug '98)
First Brigade Commander (National Guard/Reserves) – Bert Mizusawa (March 2001)
First Division Commander – Mike Oates (10th Mountain Division, Apr 2007)
First Corps Commander – Robert W. Cone (Cmd of III Corps, effective 15 Sept 09)
Most Cmd Time (Green Tab) in O-3 position (Active Duty) – Bob Vasta (54 months)
Most Cmd Time (Green Tab) in O-4 position (Active Duty) - Don Chrans (49 months)
Most Cmd Time (Green Tab) in O-5 position (Active Duty) – Jim Rowan (36 months)
Most Cmd Time (Green Tab) in O-6 position (Active Duty) – Jim Rowan (60 months)
Cumulative Cmd Time O-3 positions and higher (Active Duty) Jim Rowan (114 months)
Most Cmd Time (Green Tab) in O-3 position (USAR/NG Duty) – Chris Leins (48 months)
Most Cmd Time (Green Tab) in O-4 position (USAR/NG Duty) – Chris Leins (38 months)
Most Cmd Time (Green Tab) in O-5 position (USAR/NG Duty) - Michael L. Herman (40 months)
Most Cmd Time (Green Tab) in O-6 position (USAR/NG Duty) – Jeff Jacobs (47 months)
Cumulative Cmd Time O-3 positions and higher (USAR/NG Duty) – Chris Leins (137 months);
Jeff Jacobs (139 months – active and reserve combined)

Classmates who commanded in combat zones:

Mark Rocke (Company Cmd - Grenada)
Kevin Berner . (Company Cmd - Grenada)
Brent Bowles (Company Cmd – Grenada)
Brian Bocklage (Company Cmd – Grenada)
Jeffrey Ames (Company Cmd – Grenada)
Chuck Waggoner (Ranger Company Cmd - Panama, Task Force Cmd - Afghanistan)
Frank Wiercinski (Ranger Company Cmd - Panama; 101st Abn Div Brigade Cmd - Afghanistan)
Lance Hoffman (Company/Detachment Cmd – Panama, First Gulf War)
Bob Vasta (B/2-10 SFG Co Cmd – Iraq. First Gulf War)
Greg Banner (B/3-10 SFG Company Cmd - Balkans (note - during the pre-NATO UN mandate period while the civil war was ongoing); B/3-10 SFG Company Cmd - Iraq)
Bob Bishop (Civil Affairs Battalion Cmd – Iraq)
Gary Patton (Brigade Cmd - Iraq)
Chuck Otterstedt (41st Field Artillery Brigade, V Corps during OIF 1, Iraq)
Mickey Freeland (Nuclear Disablement Team - Iraq)
Michael L. Herman (Brigade & Dep/Div Cdr – Iraq)
Dick Pedersen (25th Inf Div, Inf Brigade Cmd – Afghanistan)
Ken Cox (1st Cav Div Engineer Brigade Cmd – Iraq)
Jeff Jacobs (Civil Affairs Brigade Cmd – Iraq)
Gregg Martin (V Corps Eng Bde – Iraq)
Terry Wolff (2d ACR Cmd – Iraq)
Bill Wolf (11th Avn Bde – Iraq)
Mike Oates (10th Mountain Division – Iraq)
Kurt Ubbelohde (Brigade Cmd, Northern District of the US Army Corps of Engineers Gulf Region Division – Iraq)

MISC:

First PEO – Tom Spellissy (USSOCOM. 30 June 2001)
First Army PEO – Jim Moran (June '02)
First Defense Advanced Research Project Agency (DARPA) Project Manager - Keith Johnston (1995)

First Member, Army Science Board – Don Kelly (Oct 2001)
First Classmate in Space - Sam Gemar
First, Last, and Only space walk - Pat Forrester (16 & 18 Aug 2001)
Most 1-year unaccompanied tours (regardless of marital status) – Mark Littel (5)
First PMS in ROTC - Lance Hoffman (East Central University in Ada OK. April 94)
First Retired from the military (medical included) - Robert E. Lee (July 1982)
First Retired from the military after a 20 year career – Joe DiGangi (1 Aug 1997)
Most time on airborne status - Greg Banner (163 months)
Most Static Line Parachute Jumps - Chuck Waggoner (257)
Most Military Free Fall parachute jumps - Chuck Waggoner (150)
Most Water Jumps – Curt Hill (20)
Most NVG Hours – Dave Parker (711)
Most Military Flight Hours – Tom Kee. 5000 (May 1994)
Most consecutive years on military flight status – Tom Kee. (23 years)
Most helicopter crash landings - Lance Hoffman (3)

Duffy Brothers. Three brothers promoted together as LTs, CPTs, MAJs, and LTCs.
Nelson Hager – Went from O-4 to O-1 (While a Major was accepted in '86 to the Uniformed Services Medical School – all students there are 2LTs.)
Jim Roberts – Only classmate to be prior service in a non-Army service (prior service Air Force)

John Macdonald ('79) (FY02 List) and his wife, Anne Macdonald (USMA '80), have become the **first husband and wife GO couple in any Service.**

Classmates who transferred to another service - Rick Hinchion (USCG), John Gaffney (USCG), Don Kelly (USAF), E. J. Nusbaum (USN), Mark West (USAF), Dave Canton (ex-'79) (US Public Health Service), Keith Beasley(ex-'79) (USN), Fr. Frank Jindra (ex-'79) (USN).

Classmates who returned to active duty, following retirement (post 9-11-2001): Kurt Webber, Carl Cecil, Ernie Forrest, Mark Welker, Dave Belcher, Don Jones, Kent Abernathy, John Kardos, Will Martin

Military Awards and Schools:

First Bronze Star – Mark Rocke, Mark MacDonald, Jeffrey Ames
First (only) Silver Star - Bert Mizusawa (Nov '84)
First Purple Heart – Gary Patton
First Soldier's Medal –
First Legion of Merit – Frank Finelli (1993)
Most Joint Meritorious Unit Awards – Greg Banner (7)
First Humanitarian Service Medal – Brian Bocklage (1980 Cuban-Haitian Resettlement Ops)
First Combat Patch awarded – Mark Rocke, Kevin Berner, John MacDonald, George Withers, Mark Crowson, Brent Boyles, Rick Hughes, David Belcher, Bob Bishop, Brian Bocklage, Jeffrey Ames (Grenada)
First with 2d Combat Patch awarded – Mark MacDonald (Grenada, Panama)
First with Third Combat Patch awarded – Steve Whittey (Somalia, three different patches)
First Combat Hash Mark (for Class A uniform. 6 months in combat zone) – Mike Vetter (June91)
First CIB awarded - Mark Rocke, Kevin Berner, George Withers (Grenada)
Second award of the CIB (CIB w/star) – Frank Wiercinski (Panama, Afghanistan)
First CMB (Combat Medic Badge) awarded –
First CAB (Combat Action Badge) awarded - Harry Callicotte (Oct '04)
Bronze stars on jump wings for combat jump – Chuck Waggoner, Frank Wiercinski (Panama – Dec 89)
First (only) Salvage Diver (USN School) Ernie Forrest (prior to USMA)
First Master Parachutist – Greg Banner (March 1982)
First Aviator - Tedd Hoyt (Aug 1980)

First Master Aviator – Al Yarmie (20 Feb 95)
 First Rotary-wing Instructor Pilot - Bob Drumm (1 Oct 1982)
 First Military Free Fall Wings – Kurt Webber (Nov 1982)
 First Underwater Operations (SCUBA school) – Chuck Waggoner (1982)
 First Foreign Combat Diver School – Michael Duffy (Peru, 1991)
 First Parachute Maintenance and Aerial Supply Officer Qual. (Rigger) – Curt Hill (3 Sept 81)
 First German Rocketry Badge – Andy Scharein (27 March 1985)
 First French Commando School Graduate - Gerald L Tabin (April 1986)
 First Dutch Physical Fitness Badge – Jeff O’Neal. (Oct 1980)
 First Special Forces qualified – Al Cate (Nov ’81?)
 First #1 Graduate from CGSC – Tim Bloechl (June 1992 – only #1 graduate?)
 First CGSC Master Tactician – Tim Bloechl (June 1992 – only #1 graduate?)
 First CGSC Douglas MacArthur award – Mark Rocke (June ’92)
 First Graduate from the School of Advanced Military Studies (SAMS) - Joe Martz (1991)
 First Army War College Graduate –
 First Naval War College C&GSC Graduate – William Sandbrook (1990)
 First Naval War College War College Graduate – Bob Cone and Mike Oates (1998) (Bob named
 “Graduate of Highest Distinction” for class)
 First Air Force C&GSC Graduate –
 First Air Force War College Graduate – Col Don “Tug” McGraw (2000?)
 First USMC CGSC Graduate – Buck Ulmer (1991)
 First USMC School of Advanced Warfighting Graduate – John Madigan (’96)
 First Industrial College of the Armed Forces Graduate – Rick Hughes (2000).
 First National War College Graduate - Joseph (Joe) Martz (1998)
 First Air Assault Honor Grad (with group of first classmates to attend) – Ed Dottery, Chuck
 Waggoner (Spring Break 1978)
 First Pathfinder – Bob Fien, PJ Driscoll (Oct 79)
 First Pathfinder Honor Grad – Dan Wilson (1981)
 First Air-Ground Operations School (AGOS) Honor Grad – Gerald Tabin (3 Oct 80)
 First Foreign Jump Wings – Joe Zator (Canada, April 1980)
 Most Foreign Jump Wings - Greg Banner, Jeff Jacobs (4)
 First Ranger Honor Grad - Jeffrey Thompson (Aug ’77)
 First Airborne Honor Grad – Fred Hoon (Fall 1979); Don Jones (3 Aug 79)
 First Jumpmaster Honor Grad – Chuck Waggoner (Mar ’80), Dan Wilson (1980)

 Special – Awards presented while cadets – Mark West – ARCOM (3 Oct 77)

Civilian:

First GS/GM-14 – Greg Phillips (March 1990)
 First GS-15 – Andy Sharein (30 Jan 2000)
 First SES-6 – Bert Mizusawa (Nov 98)
 First 25 year Civil Service award. Phil Patterson (11 Jun ’00)
 First to Obtain a US Patent – Sandy Lyons, Patent 4,332,381. 1 June 1982.
 First Distinguished Toastmaster (DTM) (Toastmasters International) - John Lesko (February
 2002)
 First Head of State. Jose Maria Figueres elected President of Costa Rica.
 First Elected to local office – Matt Collier (Mayor of Flint Michigan, Jan 88)
 First Elected to state office –
 First Elected to federal office –
 First Ordained Minister – Fr. Frank E. Jindra (ex-’79) Catholic deacon (25 MAY 1983) and a
 Catholic priest (2 JUN 1984)
 First Ordained Minister – Nicholas Craig Werling (25 Sept 1988)
 First to Begin Own Business (Owner of business with business income exceeding military) – Mike
 Karaman (6 July ’84)
 First Joint Venture with a Fortune 500 Company – Sandy Lyons (Elite Technologies with Corning,
 formed Omega One, April 1997)

First President/CEO of a billion \$ company (Sandy Lyons, Siecor Corp, Jan 1999; Corning Cable Systems, Feb 2000).
First Chairman and CEO of a multi-billion \$ publicly traded company (Sandy Lyons. Draka Holding NV, Oct 2007)
First to create and operate ranching/farming operation. Bill Nolan (Apr '84) (Also named as a Kansas Master Farmer in 2000)
First to publish a book - Mike Edleson. The Armed Forces Guide for Personal Financial Planning, 1991. Value Averaging, 1991.
Most books published – Tom Underwood (12)
First to have an Official Day Named After Him - Thomas Williams (The county of Fairfax, VA in a proclamation, named June 14, 2005, the Army's 230th Birthday as "Colonel T.W. Williams Day".)
First AOG wide elected AOG Advisor – Kevin Berner

Academic/Certifications/Licenses:

First Master's Degree – John Schultz? (1980), Rick Hughes (Sept 1980)
Most College Degrees – Mike Sullivan (ex-'79) (6 - Bachelor of Science in Mathematics May 79; Bachelor of Business Administration May 85; Master of Business Administration Aug 80; Master of Science in Computer Science May 82; Master of Professional Accountancy Aug 87; Doctor of Jurisprudence from The University of Texas at Austin Dec 1988)
First Ph.D. - John Schultz? (1987)
First Instructor at West Point – Robert Root (May 1985)
First Full Professor Status – Stephen J. Ressler (6 October 97) (on active duty)
Patrick J. Driscoll (May 2000) (as civilian)
First Dentist - Keith Beasley(ex-79) (1984); Rick Morlen (June 1994)
First Maxillofacial Surgeon – Rick Morlen (June 2001)
First M.D. – Jeff Gunzenhauser (1983), Howard Place (May 14, 1983)
First Lawyer - Jeff Stonerock (bar passed in Aug 84)
First with medical and law degree – Dave Canton (ex-79, D.O., M.P.H., J.D.)
First Board Certified in Oil, Gas and Mineral Law – Mike Sullivan (ex –'79) (Dec 1995)
First Shareholder / Partner in a law Firm – Mike Sullivan (ex – '79) (Oct 1997)
First Judge – Mike Sullivan (ex – '79) (27 July 2004)
First LL.M. degree – Jeff Stonerock (May 1989)
First Professional Engineer – Dave Gorenc and Parker Smith (1983)
First Certified Public Accountant – Mike Sullivan (ex-'79) 9 March 1987
First Certified Professional Facilitator (CPF)- John Lesko (June 2003)
First Certified Financial Planner (CFP) – Dave Sanders (Oct 2004)
First Chartered Financial Analyst (CFA). Frank Finelli (November 1999)
First Project Management Professional – Bob Routier (Aug 99)
First Certified Emergency Manager – Dave Freshwater (1994)
First Certified Prof. Logistician (Soc. of Logistics Engineers). Steve Mahoney (May 4th, 1991)

Sports/Athletics:

First Sports Coach at West Point – Gene McIntyre (a/coach. 150 lb football, May '87)
Head Coaches at West Point – Pat Harris (Basketball), Gene McIntyre (Sprint Football)
First State or National Championship in a sport - George A. Godette (2-time Virginia State Champion and was the 1999 National Champion in Tournament Jousting)
Tedd Hoyt – Minnesota State Squash Champion (1999)
First Hole-in-One (Golf) - Jerry Drago (March '83)
Two Holes-in-one – Jim McGorry (1985, 1990)
Longest Hole-in-one – Jim McGorry (216 yds)
First 300 in bowling – Bruce Batten (Feb 90)
First to break 3 hours in a marathon - Bob Skertic (5 May 1975, 2:49:31, Terre Haute Indiana Marathon)
First to Win a marathon – Chuck Knapp (Aug 82. Earthquake Park, Anchorage, Alaska)

First to Run 24 hours continuously – Tim Clapp (Jun 2001)
First to Run 100 miles (at once) – Tim Clapp (Jun 2001)
First Ironman (Full triathlon) - John R (Ric) Johnsen (1988, Ironman Europe 10:39:32)
First Black Belt – Tae Kwon Do – Ed Dottery (Dec 1975)
First Black Belt – Karate – Ed Wade (1975)
First Black Belt – Judo – Mark Copperthite?
First Black Belt – Aikido – John Lesko. 21 July 2007
First Black Belt - HapKiDo – Al Yarmie. Nov 1981
4th degree (Master Level) Black Belt in HapKido – Tom Tucker (2008)
First Platinum Award in the President's Challenge: John Lesko (Dec 2008)
Most Civilian skydiving free fall jumps – George Conwill (1920, as of May 2009)
First with over 1000 civilian free fall jumps - Marcus Bonds (1050)
Fastest marathon time - Jack Cleland (2:27 in the 1984 Ocean State Marathon)
First National Appointment in the National Ski Patrol. Greg Banner (#10,670, 18 Sept 2007)

Deceased:

First As a cadet - CDT Todd W. Brewner. 12/24/76 at Lake Geneva, WI
First Following Graduation - LT Charles M. Lyon III. 8/12/81 at Ft Campbell, KY
First Service Related - LT Gregory L. Watson. 4/1/82 at Ft Irwin, CA.
In combat - Rich Krobock as a civilian working for the CIA died in a helicopter accident in El Salvador 26 March 1987. Lance Motley as a civilian was wounded in combat in Burma. He died from his wounds in Thailand on 30 May 1989. Bill Bowers as a civilian contractor in Iraq 10 Sept 2004.
R.I.P.

General Officers:

Anson, Doug – BG (31Oct 07)
Boyles, Brent – BG May '06 (Maine National Guard)
Brooks, Leo - BG in '01 (retired '06)
Cambell, John - BG in '04. MG list '08
Cole, Tome - BG in '06
Collyar, Lynn - BG in '06
Cone, Bob – (Frocked to Brigadier General in 2003 on an Air Force O-7 slot)
BG in '02, MG (5Sep07), LTG(15Sept 09)
Cox, Ken – May 07 List
Cuccolo, Tony - BG in '03, MG in '06
Halverson, Dave - BG in '04, MG '06
Hooper, Wayne – May 07 List
Jacobs, Jeff - BG in '05, MG (1 Aug 08)
Leins, Chris - BG in '06
Macdonald, John - BG in '02, MG (Jan08)
Martin, Gregg - BG in '05, MG (09)
Martz, Joe - BG in '03
Mizusawa, Bert - BG in '05
Moran, Jamie - BG in '01, retired in '06
Oates, Mike - BG in '02, MG in '05
Patton, Gary – May 07 List
Rogers, Jim - BG in '05, MG (12 June 2009)
Semonite, Todd - BG in '05, MG
Wiercinski - BG in '03, MG list '08
Wolf, William - BG in '05
Wolff, Terry - BG in '05, MG (09)

Senior Executive Service Appointments:

Mizusawa, Bert – Nov '98 (Dpt of the Army)

Stephen Martin – 2006 - BATF

Rocke, Mark - Jan '08

Steve Austin – 2007 National Oceanographic and Atmospheric Administration

Fred Schvien – 2002 - Dpt of Commerce, Dpt of Homeland Security

Frank Finelli – 2007 - DOD (not a full time SES with DOD, but rather a DOD SES4 as an appointed Director of the Advisory Council on Dependents' Education)

USMA Department Heads:

Steve Ressler - Civil and Mechanical Engineering.

Rickie McPeak - Foreign Languages.

Extract from Document "The Annual Awards Convocation. Class of 1979. 5 June 1979. 11:30 AM. South Auditorium. Thayer Hall" (Awards presented to classmates while at West Point):

Bert Mizusawa –

General Robert E. Wood Distinguished Cadet Award (Highest academic standing)
Peruvian Army Award (Highest academic standing)
National Commandery, Military Order of Foreign Wars of the US (Highest degree of excellence in Political Science)
MG Francis Vinton Greene Memorial Award (Highest in academic standing)

John Schultz –

Hertz Foundation Fellowship in Physics
General John J. Pershing Memorial Award (Highest in military science over 4 years)
Colonel James L. Walsh Memorial Award (Highest in Weapons Systems Engineering)
Congressional Medal of Honor Society Award (Highest ranking in Environment)
General Terry de la Mesa Allen Award (Highest in 2d Class Military Science)
Association of Graduates Award (Third Highest academic standing)
Colonel Herbert Bainbridge Hayden Memorial Award (Highest in Basic Sciences)

Richard Hughes-

Hertz Foundation Fellowship in Electrical Engineering
General Omar N. Bradley award (Excellence in Concentrated Mathematics)
Robert E. Lee Memorial Award (Highest ranking in mathematics)
Armed Forces Communications and Electronics Assn Award (Excellence in Electrical Engineering)
National Society, Daughters of the US Army (Achievement in 3rd Class Chemistry)
Class of 1926 Award (Highest in Applied Science and Engineering)

Michael Medenis –

LTG Leslie R. Groves Memorial Award (Highest in Nuclear Physics)
Daughters of the American Revolution (Highest in Mechanics of Fluids)
Sewell Tappan Tyng Memorial Award (Highest in Nuclear Engineering)

Christopher Riley –

MG Clement A. Trott Memorial Award (Highest in Law)
Colonial Daughters of the 17th Century Award (Highest in English)
National Ladies Auxiliary Jewish War Veterans of the US (Highest in Humanities)

Stephen Ressler –

BG Clifton Carroll Carter Memorial Award (Highest in 2d Class Mechanics of Solids)
LTC Rodney H. Smith Memorial Award (Highest in Civil Engineering)
BG Richard J. Tallman Memorial Award (4th highest academic standing)

Michael Horn –

77th Infantry Division Reserve Officer's Assn Award (Highest in National Security and Public Affairs)
Maj John Alexander Hottell III Memorial Award (Excellence in Modern History)
Bainbridge-Reynolds-Hayden Family Memorial Award (Excellence in History)

David Clark –

National Organization of the Ladies Auxiliary to the Veterans of Foreign Wars of the US (Highest in 4th Class English)
BG Herman Beukema Memorial Award (Excellence in Social Sciences)

Charles M. Lyon III –

Hal Beukema Memorial Award (outstanding hockey player)

Thomas W. McCann –
Ambassador Shelby Cullom Davis Award (Excellence in American History)
US Grant Memorial Award (Highest in Engineering Fundamentals)

John J. Cook –
Knox Trophy (Highest in Military Efficiency)
AUSA Award (Best exemplifies traditions of the USMA and US Army)
The Pershing Sword (Cadet First Captain)

Robert Caliva –
Pierce Currier Foster Memorial Award (Best all-round gymnast)
MG William Lewis Bell, Jr. Memorial Award (Cpt of gymnastics team)

Jeffrey Gunzehhauser –
West Point Fund Award (Brigade Executive Officer)
AOG award (Second highest academic standing)

Kris Gagnon –
National Society of the Veterans of Foreign Wars (Excellence in Classical and Modern Physics)
Military Order of the World Wars award (Greatest improvement since the completion of 4th class year)

Paul Roege –
National Science Foundation Fellowship in Nuclear Engineering
BG Gerald A. Counts Memorial Award (Highest in Advanced Physics)

Jack Cleland –
Society of the Cincinnati in the State of Virginia Award (Cadet Honor Committee member with the highest academic standing)
Order of Lafayette, Inc. Award (Highest in French)

Michael Willis –
Colonel James B. Gillespie Memorial Award (Cpt of Outdoor Track Team)
Fred E. McAniff Memorial Award (Outstanding member of the track team)

Paul H. Taylor III –
Col Russell "Red" Reeder Award (Outstanding member of baseball team)
MG George W. Smythe Memorial Award (Cpt of baseball team)

Charles Schott –
Maj William C. Whitehead, Jr. Memorial Award (Letterman in football with highest academic standing)
Gen Creighton W. Abrams Memorial Award (Co-Cpt of Football team)
Eastern College Athletic Conference Merit Award (Excelling in athletics and scholarship)

Clennie Brundidge –
Gen Creighton W. Abrams Memorial Award (Co-Cpt of Football team)
Army Athletic Association Trophy (Most valuable service to athletics during his career as a cadet)

Thomas Coleman –
Pierce Currier Foster Memorial Award (Cpt of Wrestling team)

Scott Duffin –
National Organization of the American Legion Award (Outstanding in chemistry)

James Perry –
National Council Steuben Society of America Award (Highest in German)

Michael Gray –
William P. Fickes Memorial Award (Cpt of Lacrosse Team)

Charles M. Johnston –
Col Thruston Hughes Memorial Award (MVP on Football Team)

David Couvelha –
National Society, daughters of Founders and Patriots of America Award (Highest in Portuguese)

Matthew Brown –
Eber Simpson Memorial Award (Cpt of Basketball Team)

David K. Swindell –
Consul General of Switzerland Award (Excellence in Intercollegiate Debating)

Herbert Dixon –
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Christopher Prinslow –
Class of 1923 Memorial Award (Outstanding member of Swim Team)

Gregory Brannon –
Col David Marcus Memorial Award (Outstanding Boxer)

Bruce Batten –
Eisenhower Award (Excellence in Military Leadership)

Ernest T. Forrest –
General Douglas MacArthur Memorial Award (First Regiment Cdr)

Howard Place –
Ladies Auxiliary, Army and Navy Union, USA, Dpt of New York Award (Second Regiment Cdr)

Michael H. Thomas –
Howitzer Memorial Award (Editor-in-Chief of the Howitzer)

Phillip Panzarella –
30-6th Infantry Award (Excellence in Physical Education)

Michael Edleson –
Class of 1930 Award (Highest in Economics)

Louis Anderson –
General George S. Patton, Jr. Memorial Award (Cpt of Pistol Team)

Karl Vanzant –
Army Times Award (Editor of the Pointer)

Joseph Oliver –
Thomas West Hammond Memorial Award (Outstanding Lineman on the Football Team)

James Harris III –
Col John A. Robenson Memorial Award (Outstanding player on the 150 lb. Football Team)

Leo Brooks –
Leadership Foundation Award (Fourth Regiment Cdr)

Thomas R. Lutman –
West Point Fund Award (Highest in Advanced Engineering Fundamentals)

Alexander D. Perwich II –
Gen John H. Forney Historical Society Award (Highest in 1st Class Military Science)

Daniel S. Szarenski –
LTC Francis Henry Schoeffel Memorial Award (Cpt of Rifle Team)

Steven M. Seybert –
National Society, Daughters of the American Colonists Award (Highest in Spanish)

Roger L. Engelau –
Col Samuel A. Daniel Memorial Award (Cadet-in-Charge of the Cadet Chapel Choir)

J. Franklin Lady III –
Col Philip Mathews Memorial Award (Highest in Russian)

Stuart A. McFarren –
BG Charles J. Barrett Memorial Award (Excellence in Foreign Language Study)

Gregory M. Kogut –
Outstanding Company Commander – First Regiment

George R. Kather –
Outstanding Company Commander – Second Regiment

Mark R. Hildenbrand –
Outstanding Company Commander – Third Regiment

Robert W. Cone –
Outstanding Company Commander – Fourth Regiment

William R. MacHardy –
Cpt Michael W. Kilroy Memorial Award (Cpt of Swim Team)

Phillip D. Macklin –
Col James B. Gillespie Memorial Award (Performance, Dedication and Contribution to the Football Team)

Robert J. Reed –
MG Thomas J. Sands Award (Outstanding member of fencing team)

Lester C. Jauron –
Military Art Award (Highest in the History of the Military Art)

Kenneth A. Hawes –
Coach Ray Marchand Memorial Award (Cpt of the Hockey Team)

John J. Enright, Jr. –
The Rumbaugh Family Award (Outstanding member of the Cross Country Team)

John R. Lee –
BG William E. Morrison Memorial Award (Highest in Chinese)

Roy E. Cambell –
Military Applications Section Award (Outstanding in Operations Research)

James S. Day –
LTC Len M. Hanawald Memorial Award (Deputy Bde Cdr)

John W. Dietz, Jr. –
Daughters of Union Veterans of the Civil War Award (Brigade Adjutant)

John A. MacDonald –
William F. Little III memorial Award (Cpt of Ski Team)

Elliott G. Gruner –
John S. Martin Memorial Award (Most Outstanding Skier)

Damian C. Wackerman –
MG Charles G. Stevenson, Jr. Memorial Award (President of the Cadet Fine Arts Forum)

Norman E. Garcia –
National Society, US Daughters of 1812 Award (Highest in International Affairs)

John K. Berner –
Royal Society of Arts Award (Combined Academic excellence with a significant role in cadet activities)

Gary L. Mesick, Jr. –
Lt Thomas D. Thompson, Jr. Memorial Award (Most distinguished in writing literary papers)

Charles H. King III –
Charles A. Hardwick Memorial Award (Cpt of Golf Team)

John W. Rotter –
Military Academy Reserve Liaison Officers' Award (Most contributing in Admissions Oriented Public Relations Work)

Steven S. Davis –
Cadet Richard A. Whitfield Memorial Award (Superintendent of the Protestant Sunday School)

James R. Pierson –
Cpt Henry Mershon Spengler III Memorial Award (Most outstanding member of the Handball Club)

Steven G. Lamb –
General of the Army Omar N. Bradley Award (Excellence in Research in History)

Tracy H. Freeman –
BG Carroll E. Adams, Jr. Memorial Award (Cpt of the Squash Team)

Ronald M. Bonesteel –
1st LT George C. Bass Memorial Award (Cpt of the 150 lb Football Team)

Lloyd R. Darlington III –
Coach Carleton R. Crowell Memorial Award (Cpt of the Indoor Track Team)

Charles E. Phillips –
MG Joseph P. Cleland Memorial Leadership Award (Chairman of the Cadet Honor Committee)

Tommy G. Tucker –
Henry Ossian Flipper Memorial Award (Demonstrated the highest qualities of leadership, self-discipline, and perseverance in the face of unusual difficulties while a cadet)

James A. Whitt –
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Patrick L Sherman –
Maj Arthur G. Bonifas Memorial Award (Cpt of the Water Polo Team)

C. Kevin Williams –
West Point Fund Award (Cpt of the Tennis Team)

Douglas W. Turrell –
LTG William H. Arnold Memorial Award (Commander of the 3rd Regiment)

Albert M. Bleakley –
National Science Foundation Fellowship in Civil Engineering