

## **2nd Stryker Brigade Combat Team**

**The 2nd Brigade, 25th Infantry Division was originally constituted on 5 August 1917 in the National Army as Headquarters, 168th Infantry Brigade, as an organic element of the 84th Division. It was organized on 25 August 1917 at Camp Zachary Taylor, KY, and then it was demobilized there in February 1919.**

**Between 1921 and 1963, the brigade was reconstituted, reorganized, redesignated, or inactivated sixteen different times. During that period of time it participated in the World War I Campaign and the Rhineland, Ardennes-Alsace, and Central Europe Campaigns of World War II.**

**On 21 June 1963, the brigade was redesignated as Headquarters and Headquarters Company, 2nd Brigade, 25th Infantry Division, and it was activated on 26 August 1963 in Hawaii. The 2nd Brigade deployed in support of combat operations in Vietnam, participating in numerous campaigns and counteroffensives from 1966-1971.**

**During the period from its return from Vietnam to September 2003, the 2nd Brigade supported numerous strategic objectives throughout the Pacific Theater.**

**In January 2004 2nd Brigade deployed in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom II. By February 2004, Soldiers from 2nd Brigade had arrived at their command posts in Kirkuk, Northern Iraq. The Brigade and its subordinate battalions conducted full-spectrum operations working to achieve stabilization and helping the Iraqis in this city achieve a fully-integrated society.**

**In June 2004, the Army approved the transformation of the 2nd Brigade into the Army's 5th Stryker Brigade Combat Team. Since then the 2nd STRYKER Brigade Combat Team has executed this transformation, making it into a more lethal fighting force capable of deploying anywhere in the world in 96 hours. This transformation also included the creation of the 5th Squadron,**

**14th Cavalry, which has since been reflagged as the 2nd Squadron, 14 Cavalry, as the sixth battalion-sized element organic to the 2nd Brigade.**

**In December 2007, the 2nd STRYKER Brigade Combat Team deployed on a 15 month tour to Baghdad, Iraq in support of the “surge”. The efforts of the Brigade were instrumental in increasing civil and security capacity to return full sovereignty to the Iraqi people. The Brigade’s tour culminated in locally run provincial elections, secured by Iraqi Security Forces, and the peaceful transition of power to newly elected Iraqi officials.**

**In June 2010, the 2nd Stryker Brigade Combat Team was designated as an Advise and Assist Brigade and deployed to Iraq in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom and Operation New Dawn. The Brigade deployed to Salah ad Din, Diyala, and Kirkuk Provinces where it conducted stability operations and security force assistance. The Warrior Brigade helped write the final chapter for a sovereign, stable, and self-reliant country of Iraq. The Warrior Brigade was awarded the Meritorious Unit Commendation for their efforts.**

**Over the last few years, the 2nd Stryker Brigade Combat Team has been focused on the Pacific region and has conducted training and administrative deployments to strengthen ties with other allied and partner nations, including the Armies of Japan, Philippines, India, Australia, New Zealand, Malaysia, Singapore and South Korea. The 2nd Stryker Brigade Combat Team stands ready to deploy wherever, whenever our nation calls again.**

**August 20, 2013, The brigade was officially designated as The Warrior Brigade by the Chief of Military History. The memorandum approving this designation can be seen below.**

## **CAMPAIGN PARTICIPATION CREDIT**

**World War I**

**Streamer without inscription**

**World War II**

**Rhineland**

**Ardennes-Alsace**

**Central Europe**

**Vietnam**

**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**

**War on Terrorism**

**Transition of Iraq 2003-2004**

**Iraqi Governance 2004**

**Iraqi Surge 2007-2008**

**Iraqi Sovereignty 2009-2010**

**New Dawn 2010-2011**

## **DECORATIONS**

**Valorous Unit Award, Streamer embroidered CU CHI DISTRICT**

**Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered IRAQ 2004-2005**

**Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered IRAQ 2007-2009**

**Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered IRAQ 2010-2011**

**Republic of Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Palm, Streamer embroidered VIETNAM  
1966-1968**

**Republic of Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Palm, Streamer embroidered VIETNAM  
1968-1970**

**Republic of Vietnam Civil Action Honor Medal, First Class, Streamer embroidered  
VIETNAM 1966-1970**