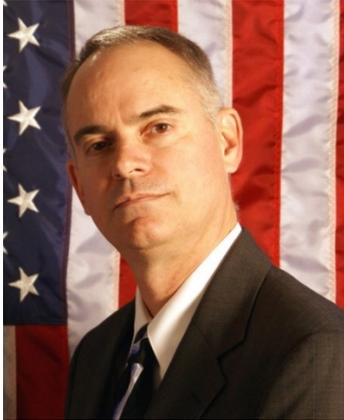


2017 Ammunition Hall of Fame Inductee

COL (RET.) GARY CARNEY



Colonel (Retired) Gary B. Carney served a distinguished career of 30 years in the United States Army, and seven years as a U.S. Department of Army Civilian. After retiring from military service, Mr. Carney began his civilian career as the Director of the Defense Ammunition Center and then as the Deputy to the Commander of Tooele Army Depot. He retired from civilian service in April 2015. Mr. Carney's contributions to the U.S. Army Materiel Command, U.S. Army Joint Munitions Command, U.S. Army Joint Munitions and Lethality Life Cycle Management Command, and the entire ammunition community, are lasting and positively affect the future of ammunition safety. He has continuously been honored and awarded for his contributions to the ammunition mission and explosives safety. In honor of his service, this nomination speaks to his numerous accomplishments, selfless service and contributions to the ammunition field.

Mr. Carney holds a Bachelor of Science degree in Biology from California State College of Pennsylvania and a Master of Science Degree in Logistics Management from the Florida Institute of Technology. His military education includes the Ordnance Officer Basic and Advanced Courses, Army Command and General Staff College and a Master's in Strategic Studies from the Air War College.

During his career, Mr. Carney served overseas in Turkey, Korea and Germany as well as at U.S. commands such as Tank Automotive and Armaments Command (TACOM); Combined Arms Support Command (CASCOM), Training & Doctrine Command (TRADOC); Department of Army (DA), Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff, Operations and Plans (G3). Some of his assignments include serving as Chief, Nuclear Operations Branch, Maintenance Directorate at Rock Island, Illinois; Company Commander of the 78th Ordnance Detachment Special Weapons, 19th Support Command, Korea; Command Ammunition Officer, 55th Support Battalion, 56th Field Artillery Command, Pershing, United States Army, European Command (USAREUR); Commander of the 510th Special Weapons Company, 59th Ordnance Brigade, USAREUR; Training Ammunition Manager, DA, Office of the Deputy Chief of Staff (G3); Ammunition Branch Chief, G4 USAREUR; and Commander of Tooele Army Depot, Tooele, Utah.

Mr. Carney's awards include the Legion of Merit with one Oak Leaf Cluster, Meritorious Service Medal with seven Oak Leaf Clusters, Army Commendation Medal with two Oak Leaf Clusters and Superior Civilian Service Award.

Mr. Carney took command of Tooele Army Depot, Tooele, Utah, in July 1999, as a Lieutenant Colonel in the U.S. Army. In this capacity he commanded with full responsibility of the Department of Defense's western region conventional ammunition hub that supports the Warfighter readiness through superior receipt, storage, issue, demil and renovation of

conventional ammunition and the design, manufacture, fielding and maintenance of ammunition peculiar equipment. During his command he was promoted to rank of Colonel.

After serving as Chief of Staff for TACOM, COL Carney commanded the McAlester Army Ammunition Plant (MCAAP) from 2004 to 2007, before retiring from the military. Under his command, the plant experienced unprecedented highs in revenue generation. He managed significant increases in workload for inert bombs, live-loaded bombs, and Harpoon missiles in support of OIF/OEF. The plant also renovated and demilitarized more items than it had in decades. He oversaw the completion of several urgent wartime items. Depot functions and operations were also successfully administered by COL Carney at a high operational tempo. Production and logistics workload increased each year in support of the War effort while COL Carney was in command. During his command, the Excalibur XM982 precision-guided munition was loaded, assembled and packed (LAP) at McAlester for fielding by McAlester in support of OEF/OIF. Under his command, McAlester provided significant cost savings via Lean Six Sigma and Value Engineering programs. After his successful tenure at the plant, COL Carney decided to retire from military service and begin supporting the military as a civilian.

In 2007, Mr. Carney was appointed Director of the Defense Ammunition Center (DAC). The Defense Ammunition Center has provided a broad range of services to military and civilian personnel. Mr. Carney was familiar to the organization and had been connected to it throughout his career in every capacity he held. As the DAC Director, Mr. Carney was responsible for executing DAC's mission to support the joint ammunition community worldwide with engineering, training, safety, technology development/ transition, and technical assistance. Mr. Carney managed execution of the QASAS and Ammunition Management (AM) Programs that provide civilian careerists to the field worldwide. DAC is responsible for providing critical ammunition training for military and civilian students annually. Mr. Carney skillfully managed his workforce to conduct DAC's mission to provide the military Services ammunition training, demilitarization technology, explosives safety, engineering, career management, and technical assistance through logistics support. Mr. Carney ensured all facets of DAC's missions were executed to include: civilian ammunition training through its Ammunition School; explosives safety support to the Department of the Army (DA) through its Technical Center for Explosives Safety; logistics engineering support; assistance to all DA installations in areas of supply, maintenance, transportation; he managed two DA career programs for ammunition expertise QASAS through its Ammunition Civilian Career Management Office and Ammunition Managers through its Ammunition Management Career Program Office; and managed demilitarization research and development (R&D) initiatives for the Army's conventional ammunition and Joint Service large rocket motors.

In his position of DAC Director, Mr. Carney has also served as one of the Army's key spokesmen for the ammunition demilitarization program. Mr. Carney facilitated partnerships with academia to help solve pollution problems. Working with an Oklahoma State University research team, DAC developed a functional prototype that uses sunlight and a proprietary catalyst to detoxify water containing dissolved explosives created during the manufacture of TNT and when salvaging obsolete or unserviceable munitions. The device has been demonstrated and provides a simple, low-cost, effective way to deal with a global environmental challenge and it has the propensity to save the Army millions of dollars. The technology came at

a critical time for the Army because the U.S. and other nations face severe environmental challenges due to the decommissioning of huge stockpiles of excess, obsolete and unserviceable ammunition.

Mr. Carney's returned to Tooele Army Depot in 2012 to serve as the Deputy to the Commander until 2015. Mr. Carney led the depot through new startups with renewable energy projects for wind and solar energy, as Tooele had previously been selected for a test site for implementation of new energy alternatives. These initiatives significantly reduced energy consumption at the depot. Under his leadership, Tooele also successfully assisted in the closure of Deseret Chemical Depot. In his role, he assured all real property was accounted for as the site was re-designated Tooele Army Depot-South and placed under the command and control of Tooele Army Depot. He also executed a new program to re-package and store mercury at the depot, while leading the numerous tasks required for depot operations. Mr. Carney retired in April 2015 with 37 years of federal service to the U.S. Army. He is inducted into the Ammunition Hall of Fame in 2017.