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## Dan Borgmeyer

**United States Army** 

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Dan Borgmeyer served in the United States Army from May 15, 1966 to March 1968. He began his service with Basic Training at Fort Leonard Wood, MO. After Basic, he was assigned to Fort Sill, OK for Advanced Combat Training in the Artillery Charlie Battery, 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion, 27<sup>th</sup> Artillery. After A.I.T., he served



stateside at Fort Sill until his deployment to Vietnam in April 1967. He was transported to Vietnam along with his entire unit on the Nelson M. Walker Troop Transport. He describes the ocean crossing as "worse than the war" as he was constantly seasick and lost twenty-one pounds in the twenty-three-day crossing. Once in Vietnam, the unit went immediately into the field in support of various Army campaigns. His unit was 155mm Mobile Howitzers. The company was based in Dautang Province but spent most of the tour mobile in support roles. The unit suffered numerous attacks and mortar assaults. It spent a brief stint in consult with a Vietnamese 105m Howitzer outpost unit. Since the unit was deployed as a group, it needed to be re-assigned so all did not rotate out at the same time. Dan stayed with the unit. His last mission was the Tet offensive in 1968. He served as a truck driver. He returned after the Tet offensive and was discharged in Oakland, CA.

Since his discharge from the service, Dan founded and successfully ran a marketing business for many years.

He is in his second term as the Mayor of St. Charles, MO.