

AG A Class 7710

Early May to Aug. 26, 1977

Last 'A' Class to Graduate from Lakehurst

Partial Roster: Ed Herman (2nd row, center); Scott Yuknis (2nd row, 2nd from right; Tim Fitzgerald, 3rd row, 2nd from left; Jeff Stanke, 4th row, far right.

Our class graduated on August 26, 1977. I think the class start date was the first week in May, but I don't know the exact date, and here's why. I reported to the OOD's office at 2000 on May 9, after quite a round-about trip from the Philadelphia airport. The OOD was shocked to read my orders because he said the last class had already started a week earlier. The next class to start was at Chanute. Apparently, they really screwed something up at NRTC Orlando where I had just recently graduated from boot camp. The OOD sent me to the barracks but told me not to unpack because they needed to make a decision as to whether I should try to catch up with the last class or send me to Chanute. He had me report back to the OOD the next morning. They decided to keep me at Lakehurst and I spent the next two weeks trying to catch up. So, I ended up being literally the last student in the last class to go through AG A school at Lakehurst.

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