

# Major General Robert Lee Halverson

Class of 1963

Inducted in the 1<sup>st</sup> class of the Stalwart Ram Wall of Fame – Fall 2022



Major General Robert Lee Halverson graduated from Colorado State University in 1963 with a Bachelor of Science degree in Industrial Construction Management. During his time at Colorado State University, he participated in the Reserve Officer Training Corps (ROTC) and was commissioned as a 2nd Lieutenant in Military Intelligence after earning recognition as a Distinguished Military Graduate. After commissioning, he attended the Infantry Officer Basic Course and Intelligence training and served in positions typical of a young officer including company command in Germany and as an Intelligence / Infantry Advisor in Vietnam. His Major years included service as a Battalion Operations Officer at Fort Hood, TX and as the Special Security Officer to the US Military Representative to NATO in Brussels, Belgium. After 15 years, he left Active Duty

and continued his Army career for a short time in the Reserves before moving to the Texas Army National Guard in 1985. In addition to his military service, he served in various positions in the Texas State Government culminating after 20 years of service as the Deputy Commissioner for Safety for the Department of Insurance.

General Halverson's military career concluded as the 49th Armor Division Commanding General from 1998-2002. Under his command, the 49th Division served as the Multi-National Division Headquarters for 11 nations conducting peacekeeping operations in Bosnia-Herzegovina as the first Active and Reserve component integrated headquarters. He received many awards during his 39-year career including the Distinguished Service Medal, Legion of Merit, Bronze Star Medal, Defense Meritorious Service Medal, Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal, and the National Defense Service Medal with 1 bronze service star prior to retiring in 2002. In 2006, General Halverson was inducted into the US Army Military Intelligence Hall of Fame. In 2016, he was awarded a Congressional Veteran Commendation. In 2018 he was inducted into the Texas Military Hall of Honor.

Always a supporter of the Ram Battalion, General Halverson created the Major General Robert L. Halverson Army ROTC Scholarship in 2018 to award Army ROTC students that show exemplary leadership skills. In 2021, he spearheaded the creation of the ROTC Class of 1963 Scholarship in Memory of Colonel Robert W. Patterson, Assistant Professor of Military Science.