

PERSONAL DATA:

BRIGADIER GENERAL STEVE A. CHAPPUIS

Born: 28 December 1913
Father: A. A. Chappuis
Mother: Elise Daboval

Steve A. Chappuis was born in Rayne, Louisiana, December 28, 1913. He graduated from Louisiana State University in June 1936. In July 1936 he entered on active duty under the Thomason Act Program, being assigned to the 23d Infantry at Fort Sam Houston, Texas as a Second Lieutenant, United States Army Reserve. He was commissioned a Second Lieutenant of Infantry in Regular Army on 3 July 1937. In March 1939 he was transferred to Schofield Barracks, Hawaii for duty with the 27th Infantry, Hawaiian Division.

He returned to the United States in March 1941 for assignment with the 368th Infantry at Fort Huachuca, Arizona. Having been selected for parachute training he was transferred to Fort Benning, Georgia in August, 1941, where he was successively assigned to the Parachute School, the 502d Parachute Infantry Battalion, and the Infantry School to attend the Battalion Commander's Course. Upon the expansion of the 502d P.I. Battalion into the 502d Parachute Infantry Regiment early in 1942, he served first as regimental S3 and later on 1 July 1942 as Commanding Officer of the 2d Battalion. He moved with his unit to Fort Bragg, North Carolina, in August 1942, when the regiment was assigned to the newly organized 101st Airborne Division. The division was transferred to the ETO in September, 1943.

Lieutenant Colonel Chappuis participated in the airborne invasions of Normandy in June 1944 and Holland in September 1944 as Commanding Officer of the 2d Battalion, 502d. For these operations he was awarded the Silver Star, French Croix de Guerre and Military Willems Order (Netherlands.) He assumed command of the 502d Parachute Regiment on 22 September 1944 during the Holland operation and continued in this assignment until deactivation of this unit and its parent division in December 1945. He was promoted to Colonel in February 1945. Colonel Chappuis was awarded the Distinguished Service Cross for participation in the defense of Bastogne during the Battle of the Bulge in December - January 1944-1945.

Following World War II Colonel Chappuis served with AGF, Department of Army General Staff, Department Defense Staff and attended the Canadian Army College and the Army War College. Following assignments to SHAPE with duty station in the Hague, Netherlands and Headquarters Allied Forces Southern Europe, Naples, he served as Deputy Chief of Staff, Operations for the 18th Airborne Corps, Fort Bragg, North Carolina. He returned to the United States from Korea in April 1962 after serving as Deputy Chief of Staff, 1st Corps Group for sixteen months.

He was assigned as Deputy Commander, 4th Infantry Division Brigade in May 1962. In September 1962, Colonel Chappuis was promoted to Brigadier General and was assigned as Assistant Division Commander, 4th Infantry Division, Fort Lewis, Washington.

Headquarters Army Ground Forces, Pentagon and
Fort Monroe, Virginia, D/A General Staff

Jan 46
Mar 48

Feb 48
Dec 50

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Married Kathryn A. Jurjevich, 6 June 1946 at Fort Myer, Virginia

Children: Suzanne L.- Student
Stephen J.- Student

EDUCATION:

Louisiana State University - 1936 (BA)
The Infantry School (Battlion Commander's Course) - 1942
Command and General Staff College (Equivalent) - 1947
Armed Forces Staff College (Equivalent) - 1947
Canadian Army Staff College - 1951
Army War College - 1953

CHRONOLOGICAL LIST OF PROMOTIONS

<u>Rank</u>	<u>Temporary (AUS)</u>	<u>Permanent (RA)</u>
2d Lieutenant (USAR)	21 May 36	
2d Lieutenant		3 July 37
1st Lieutenant		3 July 40
Captain	9 Sep 40	
Captain		3 July 47
Major	1 Feb 42	
Lt Colonel	30 Nov 42	
Colonel	27 Feb 45	
Lt Colonel	1 July 47	
Major		1 July 48
Colonel	29 June 51	
Lt Colonel		1 July 54
Brigadier General	1 Sep 62	

CHRONOLOGICAL LIST OF ASSIGNMENTS

<u>Assignments</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
23d Infantry, Fort Sam Houston, Texas	July 36	Feb 39
27th Infantry, Schofield Barracks, Hawaii	Mar 39	Mar 41
368th Infantry, Fort Huachuca, Arizona	Apr 41	Aug 41
502d Parachute Infantry Battalion, Fort Benning, Ga.	Sep 41	Mar 42
502d Parachute Infantry Regiment, 101st Airborne Division, Fort Benning, Fort Bragg, ETO	Apr 42	Dec 45
Headquarters Army Ground Forces, Pentagon and Fort Monroe, Virginia, D/A General Staff	Jan 46	Feb 48
	Mar 48	Dec 50

CHRONOLOGICAL LIST OF ASSIGNMENTS (Cont'd)

<u>Assignments</u>	<u>From</u>	<u>To</u>
Canadian Army Staff College	Jan 51	Dec 51
OCAFF, Fort Monroe	Jan 52	July 52
Army War College	Aug 52	June 53
WSEG, Department Defense	July 53	Mar 55
SHAPE, with Station Hague, Netherlands	Apr 55	Mar 57
Allied Forces Southern Europe, Naples, Italy	Apr 57	Dec 58
Headquarters 18th Airborne Corps, Fort Bragg, N C.	Jan 59	Dec 60
Headquarters 1st Corps Group, Korea	Jan 61	Apr 62
Headquarters, 4th Infantry Division Ft Lewis, Wash.	May 62	

LIST OF CITATIONS AND DECORATIONS

Distinguished Service Cross
Silver Star
Bronze Star with one Oak Leaf Cluster
Army Commendations Medal
Distinguished Unit Badge with one Oak Leaf Cluster
Croix de Guerre with Palm (French)
Belgian Fourragere
Dutch Orange Langard
Croix de Guerre with Palm (Belgium)
Officer of Order of Leopold with Palm (Belgium)
Military Willems Order, Knight 4th Class (Netherlands)
Commander in the order of Orange Nassan (Netherlands)

SERVICE MEDALS

American Defense Service Medal
American Campaign Medal
EAME Campaign Medal
World War II Victory Medal
Army Occupation Medal
National Defense Service Medal

BADGES

Combat Infantry Badge
Master Parachutist Badge
Army General Staff Identification Badge
Department of Defense Identification Badge

PERSONAL BACKGROUND MATERIAL

Interests and Hobbies

Tennis, photography, hunting

RELIGION

Roman Catholic