

John Noyes

Service Branch: US Army and South Dakota National Guard

Period of Service, Ranks and Combat Stations:

From April 1968 to June 1970 Noyes served a tour in Viet Nam, 9th Infantry Division as a Military Intelligence Specialist and finished his Army career in Hawaii at Fort Shafter.

Noyes joined the South Dakota Army National Guard in 1974 and served as a Combat Engineer through 1976.

Noyes re-joined the SDANG in 1986 and served through 2005. His unit was activated for duty in Iraq (Dec. 03 until Apr. 05). He served as First Sergeant of A Company 153d Combat Engineers for 14 years and while deployed in Iraq. They served in direct support of the 10th Mountain Division clearing roads and perimeter defense while in Iraq during OIF II.

Noyes retired from Active Army and National Guard with over 26 years of service.

Decorations include:

Meritorious Service Medal, Army Commendation Medal (2)  
Army Achievement Medal (2)  
Army Good Conduct Medal, National Defense Service Medal (3)  
Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal  
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal  
Republic of Viet Nam Service Medal  
Republic of Viet Nam Civil Action Medal Unit Citation  
Overseas Service Bar (4)

John notes that one of his greatest honors was being appointed to the South Dakota Veterans Commission, allowing him the opportunity to improve the services and programs available to our South Dakota veterans.