

Military Police Insignia



Military Police Badge



Dennis Ray Heffelfinger Staff Sergeant U.S. Army Reserve 28 August 1969 – 27 August 1977



Dennis was born on 13 June 1949 in Danielsville, Northampton County, Pennsylvania. He attended Lehigh Township Elementary School in Danielsville, and graduated from Northampton High School in Northampton in 1967. After graduation, he went to work for Weis Markets in Whitehall, Pennsylvania. On 28 August 1969, Dennis enlisted as a Private in the Army National Guard at Lehighton, Pennsylvania. He was assigned to the 723<sup>rd</sup> Military Police Company, 65th Military Police Battalion, headquartered at the National Guard Armory in Lehighton. On 26 November 1969, Dennis went on active duty for training until 11 April 1970, including basic training at Fort Jackson, South Carolina, followed by training as a Military Policeman at U.S. Army Training Command, Fort Gordon, Georgia, in Company C, 12<sup>th</sup> Battalion, 4<sup>th</sup> Advanced Infantry Training Brigade. He was then released from active duty for assignment to his Reserve unit in Lehighton. He then served in the Army Reserve, successively, as a Military Policeman, Company Squad Leader, and Recruiter until his discharge as a Staff Sergeant on 27 August 1977. While Dennis served in the National Guard, he continued to be employed by Weis Markets where he eventually became Store Manager. In 1988, Dennis left Weis Markets and became an Automobile Salesman with Colonial Olds-Buick GMC Truck in Palmerton, Pennsylvania, until 1995, and then for Ruhe Motor Corporation in Allentown, Pennsylvania, until his retirement in 2008. After leaving Weis Markets in 1988, Dennis moved to Coplay in Whitehall Township, Pennsylvania, where he lived until he relocated to Wescosville in Lower Macungie Township, Pennsylvania, in 1999. Dennis has two children, **Dennis Ray Jr.** and **Kimberly Faith**. His parents are **LeRoy Josiah Heffelfinger** (2 September 1917 – 3 January 1974 and **Loretta Irene** Klotz (27 March 1919 – 4 April 1991). Dennis's brother, Robert Bernard Heffelfinger, served in the Navy during 1957 and 1959, and two other brothers, LeRoy Kenneth Heffelfinger and Larry Lee Heffelfinger, served in the Army; LeRoy during 1959 and 1961, and Larry during the Vietnam War.