

H I S T O R Y

631ST TANK DESTROYER BATTALION

a. Original Unit.

Designation: 631st Tank Destroyer Battalion (Light) Towed.

Date of Organization: December 15, 1941

Place of Organization: Camp Blanding, Florida

Authority for Organization: Paragraph 2, General Order No 40, Hq 31st Infantry Division, Camp Blanding, Florida, December 14, 1941 pursuant to radiogram, Third Army, December 13, 1941, AT 13 and WD Hq AG 320.2 (11-17-41) MR-M-C.

Commander: Major Harold P. Nathan. Transferred from Hq 31st Infantry Division per Special Order #294, Hq 31st Inf Div, Dec. 15-41.

Sources of Personnel: 6 Officers transferred from 114th FA;
1 Officer from 116th FA
1 Officer from 117th FA
112 Enlisted Men trfd fr Btry "C", 114th FA
105 Enlisted Men trfd fr Btry "H", 114th FA
30 Enlisted Men trfd fr Hq Btry 1st Bn, 114th FA
18 Enlisted Men trfd fr Hq Btry 2nd Bn, 114th FA
21 Enlisted Men trfd fr Hq Btry 1st Bn, 116th FA
28 Enlisted Men trfd fr Hq Btry 2nd Bn, 116th FA
29 Enlisted Men trfd fr Hq Btry 1st Bn, 117th FA
34 Enlisted Men trfd fr Hq Btry 2nd Bn, 117th FA
3 Enlisted Men trfd fr Med Dept Det, 114th FA
3 Enlisted Men trfd fr Med Dept Det, 116th FA
3 Enlisted Men trfd fr Med Dept Det, 117th FA

Totals: 9 Officers) SO #294, Hq 31st Inf Div
386 Enlisted Men) Cp Blanding, Fla 12-15-41

b. Changes in Organization:

February 8, 1942 - Pioneer Company was activated pursuant to GO #5, 31st Inf Div. Feb 8/42 and T/O 18-18

June 8, 1942 - Pioneer Company re-designated as Reconnaissance Company per T/O 18-28, June 8/42

June 8, 1942 - Battalion re-organized in accordance with T/O 18-25, June 8/42. Changed from Light, Towed to Heavy, Self-propelled.

May 22, 1943 - Battalion re-organized in accordance with T/O 18-25, January 25/43

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December 27, 1943 - Battalion re-organized in accordance with T/O 18-35
7 May 1943, from Self Propelled to Towed. Recon-
naissance Company inactivated.

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ASSIGNED STRENGTH

	Hq Co		Rcn Co		Co "A"		Co "B"		Co "C"		Med		Bn Total	
	O	EM	O	EM	O	EM	O	EM	O	EM	O	EM	O	EM
December 15, 1941	0	49	0	0	1	111	0	105	0	112	1	9	2	386
December 31, 1941	8	52	0	0	5	111	5	111	5	112	2	12	25	398
January 1, 1942	8	53	0	0	5	111	6	110	5	112	2	12	26	398
January 31, 1942	10	54	0	0	5	113	5	109	5	106	2	12	27	394
February 1, 1942	10	57	1	14	5	111	5	108	5	106	2	12	28	408
February 28, 1942	12	92	1	31	4	102	5	96	5	102	2	15	29	436
March 1, 1942	12	92	1	31	4	102	5	96	5	102	2	15	29	436
March 31, 1942	10	157	1	158	5	157	2	160	2	160	1	22	21	814
April 1, 1942	10	157	1	158	5	157	2	160	2	160	1	22	21	814
April 30, 1942	9	153	1	154	4	156	3	156	3	154	1	22	21	795
May 1, 1942	9	153	1	154	4	156	3	156	3	154	1	22	21	795
May 31, 1942	9	153	1	144	4	152	3	154	3	155	1	21	21	779
June 1, 1942	9	153	1	144	4	152	3	150	3	155	1	21	21	775
June 30, 1942	9	135	2	131	3	138	2	134	2	134	1	18	19	690
July 1, 1942	9	136	2	131	2	138	2	134	2	133	1	18	18	690
July 31, 1942	9	129	1	115	1	122	1	116	1	124	2	14	15	620
August 1, 1942	9	129	1	115	1	120	1	116	1	124	2	14	15	619
August 31, 1942	11	126	2	112	2	117	2	114	2	122	2	14	21	605
September 1, 1942	11	126	2	112	2	117	2	114	2	122	2	14	21	606
September 30, 1942	11	127	2	109	3	114	3	108	3	115	4	14	26	587
October 1, 1942	10	127	2	109	3	113	3	108	3	115	4	14	25	586
October 31, 1942	9	122	5	107	3	108	5	107	5	115	3	15	30	574
November 1, 1942	9	122	5	107	3	108	5	107	5	115	3	15	30	574
November 30, 1942	14	123	6	107	6	108	6	108	6	111	3	14	41	571
December 1, 1942	14	123	7	107	6	108	6	108	6	111	3	14	42	571
December 31, 1942	13	120	6	105	4	148	5	149	5	147	3	14	36	683
January 1, 1943	13	120	6	105	4	148	5	149	5	147	3	14	36	683
January 31, 1943	11	190	4	170	4	209	5	214	4	212	3	21	31	1016
February 1, 1943	11	189	4	170	4	209	5	213	4	212	3	21	31	1014
February 28, 1943	12	190	5	167	5	205	5	213	4	209	2	20	33	1004
March 1, 1943	12	190	5	167	5	205	5	213	4	209	2	20	33	1004
March 31, 1943	14	182	6	166	5	193	6	204	5	198	3	18	39	961

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	O	EM	O	EM	O	EM	O	EM	O	EM	O	EM	O	EM
April 1, 1943	14	182	6	166	5	193	6	204	5	198	3	18	39	961
April 30, 1943	16	178	9	162	6	189	12	197	8	191	2	21	53	938
May 1, 1943	16	178	9	162	6	189	12	197	8	191	2	21	53	938
May 31, 1943	15	180	10	155	9	187	10	190	7	184	2	19	53	915
June 1, 1943	15	180	10	155	9	187	10	190	7	184	2	19	53	915
June 30, 1943	15	154	9	142	9	154	8	158	7	163	2	19	50	800
July 1, 1943	15	154	9	142	9	154	8	158	7	163	2	19	50	800
July 31, 1943	15	147	8	138	7	149	7	141	7	145	2	19	46	739
August 1, 1943	15	147	8	138	7	149	7	141	7	145	2	19	46	739
August 31, 1943	15	141	8	131	7	147	7	139	7	140	2	19	46	717
September 1, 1943	15	141	8	131	7	147	7	138	7	140	2	19	46	716
September 30, 1943	13	138	8	130	7	143	6	138	7	138	2	18	43	705
October 1, 1943	13	138	8	130	7	143	6	138	7	139	2	18	43	706
October 31, 1943	14	132	8	128	7	143	6	133	7	138	2	17	44	691
November 1, 1943	15	132	9	128	7	143	6	133	8	138	2	17	47	691
November 30, 1943	15	153	10	131	7	144	7	133	9	137	2	16	50	714
December 1, 1943	15	153	10	130	7	144	7	133	9	136	2	16	50	712
December 31, 1943	23	189			11	216	11	216	10	217	2	22	57	859
January 1, 1944	23	189			11	216	11	216	10	217	2	22	57	859
January 31, 1944	21	189			11	216	11	212	11	207	2	22	56	846
February 1, 1944	21	190			11	215	11	212	11	207	2	22	56	846
February 29, 1944	23	187			12	214	11	209	11	206	2	22	59	838
March 1, 1944	23	187			12	214	11	209	11	206	2	22	59	838

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History (Cont'd)

- d. December 15, 1941 - Camp Blanding, Florida. Permanent station on activation.
- February 19, 1942 - Departed from Camp Blanding by motor for new permanent station at Camp Bowie, Texas.
- February 25, 1942 - Arrived at new permanent station Camp Bowie, Texas.
- July 26, 1942 - Departed from Camp Bowie, Texas for Louisiana Maneuver Area.
- July 27, 1942 - Arrived Louisiana Maneuver Area.
- August 28, 1942 - Departed from Louisiana Maneuver area for temporary station at Camp Hood, Texas by motor.
- August 29, 1942 - Arrived at temporary station Camp Hood, Texas.
- November 19, 1942 - Departed from Camp Hood, Texas for permanent station Camp Bowie, Texas.
- November 19, 1942 - Arrived permanent station Camp Bowie, Texas.
- January 8, 1943 - Departed from Camp Bowie, Texas for temporary station at Camp Claiborne, Louisiana by rail.
- January 10, 1943 - Arrived Camp Claiborne, Louisiana temporary station.
- February 3, 1943 - Departed from Camp Claiborne, Louisiana for Louisiana Maneuver Area.
- February 3, 1943 - Arrived Louisiana Maneuver Area.
- April 1, 1943 - Departed from Louisiana Maneuver Area near Zimmerman Louisiana for new permanent station Camp Shelby, Mississippi, by motor.
- April 2, 1943 - Arrived at Camp Shelby, Mississippi new permanent station.

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