

7TH CAVALRY REGIMENT



The distinctive unit insignia was originally approved for the 7th Cavalry Regiment June 29, 1924. It was redesignated for the 7th Cavalry Regiment (Infantry) Dec. 16, 1953. The insignia was redesignated for the 7th Cavalry Regiment and was amended Feb. 4, 1983, to revise the description and include symbolism. The color gold, or yellow, is symbolic of the Cavalry service, yellow being the color of the facings on the old blue uniform at the time the regiment was first organized. The horseshoe is adapted from the regimental coat of arms, the seven nail holes alluding to the unit's numerical designation. The gauntlet and saber at the "charge" position are also adapted from the coat of arms and represent the "cavalry charge" and the battle heritage of the regiment. "Garry Owen" is the name of a song that was a favorite of GEN George Armstrong Custer and once was used as a battle song in the Indian Wars.