



Biography

General Boonsrang Niumpradit

1. Education

1.1 Civilian education

- 1.1.1 Wat Bang Sor School, Suphan Buri Province (elementary school level)
- 1.1.2 Song Peenong Witthaya School, Suphan Buri Province (secondary school level)

1.2 Military education (class/year)

- 1.2.1 Armed Forces Academies Preparatory School, class 6, 1965
- 1.2.2 Chulachomklao Royal Military Academy (RCMA), class 17, 1966
- 1.2.3 Norwich University, 1967
- 1.2.4 The United States Military Academy (West Point), class 1971

1.3 Courses taken while in the Services

- 1.3.1 M.S. in Mechanical Engineering, Massachusetts Institute of Technology (MIT), USA, 1972
- 1.3.2 Ph.D in Structural Engineering, Asian Institute of Technology (AIT), 1978
- 1.3.3 Army Command and General Staff College, class 60, 1982
- 1.3.4 National Defence College, class 36, 1994

1.4 Course taken after retirement

- Senior executive course, Capital Market Academy, class 8, 2009

2. Previous key positions

- 2.1.1 Instructor, Mechanical Engineering Division, Education Division, RCMA, 1973 – 1978
- 2.1.2 Aide de Camp to Deputy Commander – in – Chief of the Royal Thai Army, 1978-1980

- 2.1.3 Commander of the 31st Artillery Battalion, the King's Guards, 1983 - 1986
- 2.1.4 Director of Strategic Research Institute, 1991 - 1996
- 2.1.5 Deputy Director of Joint Operations, 1996
- 2.1.6 Commandant of Joint Staff College, 1997 - 1999
- 2.1.7 Superintendent of National Defence College, 1999 - 2000
- 2.1.8 Director of Joint Operations, 2001 - 2002
- 2.1.9 Director of Office of Policy and Planning, Ministry of Defence, 2002 - 2003
- 2.1.10 Chief of Joint Staff, 2003 - 2005
- 2.1.11 Deputy Supreme Commander, 2005 - 2006
- 2.1.12 Supreme Commander 2006 - 2008

2.2 Special official assignment

- UNTAET Force Commander, East Timor, 2000 - 2001

2.3 Major experiences in the Services

- 2.3.1 Secretary, Border Committee between Thailand and Laos, Thailand and Cambodia, Thailand and Malaysia (during tenure as Director of Joint Operations and Chief of Joint Staff)
- 2.3.2 Deputy Chairman and Chairman of Border Committee between Thailand and Laos, Thailand and Cambodia, Thailand and Malaysia (during tenure as Supreme Commander)

2.4 Special activities

Previous

- Members of the national legislative Assembly
- Chairman of Advisory Committee on Security Strategy, Ministry of Defence, 2008 – 2018
- President of AIT Alumni Association (Mother's Chapter), 2006 - 2008
- President of National Defence College Association, 2007 – 2009
- Chairman of Administrative Committee, Strategic Studies Center
- Vice President of AIT Alumni Association (Thailand's Chapter)
- Committee of the American University Alumni (AUA)

Present

- Senator, 2019 -Present
- Chairman of **The Committee on Armed Forces and State Security, The Senate 2029 – Present**
- **President of Thailand-Australia Parliamentarians Friendship Group, 2019 - Present**
- **President of Thailand-Timor-Leste Parliamentarians Friendship Group, 2024 - Present**
- Chairman of Administrative Committee, Strategic Studies Center, 2009 – present
- Chairman of committee member of Strategic group, National Defence College Think Tank for Society, 2010

- Chairman of Thailand's Future Fund (scholarship granting),
at Song Peenong Witthaya School, 1971-present
- Chairman of for Peace network Foundation, 2010-present
- President of West Point Association, 1999- present
- Advisor to the Organic Agriculture of Thailand Foundation, 2010
- Advisor to Institute of Security and International Studies , Chulalongkorn University
- Council member of Santipol College, 2009- present
- Special guest lecturer at institutes of higher education of the Armed Forces, colleges
and University institutes

3. Royal decorations and medals

Thailand

- Companion (Fourth Class) of the Most Noble
Order of the Crown of Thailand 5 December 1976
- Companion (Fourth Class) of the Most
Exalted Order of the White Elephant 5 December 1979
- Commander (Third Class) of the
Most Noble Order of the Crown of Thailand 5 December 1982
- Commander (Third Class) of the Most
Exalted Order of the White Elephant 5 December 1986
- Knight Commander (Second class)
of the Most Noble Order of the Crown of Thailand 5 December 1988
- Knight Commander (Second Class)
of the Most Exalted Order of the White Elephant 5 December 1990
- Knight Grand Cross (first Class) of
The Most Noble Order of the Crown of Thailand 5 December 1991
- Knight Grand Cross (First Class)
of the Most Exalted Order of the White Elephant 5 December 1994
- Knight Grand Cordon (Special Class)
of the Most Noble Order of the Crown of Thailand 5 December 1997
- Knight Grand Cordon (Special Class)
of the Most Exalted Order of the White Elephant 5 December 2002

International Decorations

- United Nations United Nations Service Medal, UNTAET 22 July 2001
- Brazil Medalha do Pacifacador, Republica Federativa do Brasil
25 August 2003
- Singapore Distinguished Service Order (Military) 7 August 2008
- Malaysia Malaysian Armed Forces Gallantry Award (Honorary)
22 October 2008

- United States of America Legion of Merit (Degree of commander) September 2008
- Lao People's Democratic Republic Friendship Medal 10 July 2010

4. Honorary Awards

- 4.1 Distinguished Alumni of Song Peenong Witthaya School, Song Peenong District, Supanburi Province
- 4.2 Chakradoo Distinguished Award Year 2001, Military Operations Field, Armed Forces Academies Preparatory School
- 4.3 Distinguished Alumni, Norwich University, Vermont, USA
- 4.4 AITAA Distinguished Alumni Award 2004 (International Affairs) Thailand's Chapter
- 4.5 AITAA Distinguished Alumni Award 2004 (International Affairs), Mother's Chapter
- 4.6 Distinguished Alumni, Army Command and General Staff College
- 4.7 Honorary plaque, Distinguished work on the Development of Drug Problem Solving Policy 2008, Office of Drug Prevention and Suppression, Ministry of Justice
- 4.8 Hall Of Fame of the Asian Institute of Technology (AIT) on 7 September 2010 at a glittering AIT Day 2010 ceremony organized to commemorate the 51st Anniversary of the Institute.
- 4.9 Distinguished Graduate Award 2013, United States Military Academy (West Point)

5. Special Pride

- 5.1 As the Supreme Commander, General Boonsrang was the leader in taking the Oath of Allegiance of the Royal Guards to His Majesty the King in the Ceremony of Taking the Oath of Allegiance and the Ceremonial Parade of the Royal Guards to celebrate the anniversaries of the King's Birthday twice which are the 60th Anniversary of the King's Accession to the Throne in 2006 and the 80th Anniversary of the King's Birthday.
- 5.2 General Boonsrang was the UNTAET PKF Commander.
- 5.3 Establishing the Royal Thai Armed Forces Strategic Center to commemorate His Majesty the King's 80th Birthday at Lam Thain, Chonburi Province
- 5.4 Implementing the Reforestation Project at Baan Santikhiri, Mae Salong Hill, Chiengrai Province to commemorate His Majesty the King's 80th Birthday Anniversary
- 5.5 Implementing the Development and Rehabilitation Project of Life Quality and Upstream Area, Nam Nao, District Phetchaboon Province
- 5.6 Implementing the Project of Mangrove Planting for Natural Resources and Environment Preservation, Ranong Province
- 5.7 Establishing Youth Leadership Training Center for Peace Project, the Royal Thai Armed Forces Headquarters at Moo Sri Sub-district, Pak Chong District, Nakhon Ratchasima Province

6. Papers and Academic Articles

6.1 Deformation and Energy Loss in a Thin-Walled Circular Cylinder due to Rotation in Space
Massachusetts Institute of Technology, Department of Mechanical Engineering, Thesis.

(Sm.in ME) 1972

6.2 Quasi-Static Axial Load Transfer to a Saturated Porous Elastic Half-Space from
Embedded Elastic Rod, Asian Institute of Technology, Thesis (PhD) 1978

6.3 Article on "Load Transfer from an Elastic Pile to a Saturated Porous Elastic Soil" printed in
International Journal for Numerical and Analytic Methods in Geomechanics Vol.5 1981

6.4 Defence White Paper, Strategic Research Institute, National Defence College

6.4.1 Defence Strategy (Thai), The Defence of Thailand (English), 1994

6.4.2 Defence Strategy (Thai), The Defence of Thailand (English), 1996

6.5 410 Days in East Timor: A Peace Keeper's Diary 2002

6.6 Thai Translation: The French Wolf and the Siamese Lamb, The French Threat to Siamese
Independence 1858 -1907, Patrick Tuck, 2000

6.7 Thai Translation: The French Wolf and the Siamese Lamb, The French Threat to Siamese
Independence 1858 -1907: (Summary, 2008)

6.8 Other academic articles: The equation of Armed Forces Development, Militarism for
Executives, Building Military Leadership Characteristics, Training at the United States Military
Academy, West Point, The Equation of Life: Aroka-Parama-Lapa (Health is Wealth), Life and
Decision, Enrich Meanings for Life, and Crucial military matters related to the policy level: military
considerations for national security policy development, etc.
