



U.S. 4th Armored Division

December, 1944

8th Tank Battalion

5 A 5 5 M-5 11	11 A 8 9 M-4/75 8	14 A 10 10 M-4/76 9	14 H 10 9 M-4/105 8	3 M 12 3 M-21 10	2 C(I) 2* 1 M-8 Jeep 18
x 3	x 7	x 1	x 1	x 1	x 1

35th Tank Battalion

5 A 5 5 M-5 11	11 A 8 9 M-4/75 8	11 A 8 15 M-4A3E2/75 7	14 A 10 10 M-4/76 9	14 H 10 9 M-4/105 8	3 M 12 3 M-21 10	2 C(I) 2* 1 M-8 Jeep 18
x 3	x 6	x 1	x 1	x 1	x 1	x 1

37th Tank Battalion

5 A 5 5 M-5 11	11 A 8 9 M-4/75 8	14 A 10 10 M-4/76 9	14 H 10 9 M-4/105 8	3 M 12 3 M-21 10	2 C(I) 2* 1 M-8 Jeep 18
x 3	x 7	x 1	x 1	x 1	x 1

this battalion detached on December 20

10th Armored Infantry Battalion

4 I 2* 10 ARMORED 1	2 I 2* 4 M-6 1	9 A 5 2 57mm 0	3 M 12 3 M-21 10	5 H 8 5 M-8 HMC 11	2 C(I) 2* 1 M-8 Jeep 18	2 C(I) 2 3 M-3 10
x 9	x 3	x 3	x 1	x 1	x 1	x 15

51st Armored Infantry Battalion

4 I 2* 10 ARMORED 1	2 I 2* 4 M-6 1	9 A 5 2 57mm 0	3 M 12 3 M-21 10	5 H 8 5 M-8 HMC 11	2 C(I) 2* 1 M-8 Jeep 18	2 C(I) 2 3 M-3 10
x 9	x 3	x 3	x 1	x 1	x 1	x 15

53rd Armored Infantry Battalion

4 I 2* 10 ARMORED 1	2 I 2* 4 M-6 1	9 A 5 2 57mm 0	3 M 12 3 M-21 10	5 H 8 5 M-8 HMC 11	2 C(I) 2* 1 M-8 Jeep 18	2 C(I) 2 3 M-3 10
x 9	x 3	x 3	x 1	x 1	x 1	x 15

22nd Armored Artillery Battalion

40 (H) 32 7 M-7 Priest 8
x 3

66th Armored Artillery Battalion

40 (H) 32 7 M-7 Priest 8
x 3

94th Armored Artillery Battalion






40 (H) 32 7 M-7 Priest 8
x 3

24th Armored Engineers Battalion





1 I 1 6 1	0 - 0 32 Tank Bridge 0	2 C(I) 2 3 M-3 10	0 C 0 1 Truck 14
x 9	x 1	x 3	x 7

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25th
Cavalry
Recon
Squadron

1 I 2	3 A 5	5 A 5	5 H 8	2 C(I) 2*
 SCOUT	 M-8	 M-5	 M-8 HMC	 M-8 Jeep
3 1	3 15	5 11	5 11	1 18
x 12	x 8	x 3	x 1	x 12

704th
Tank
Destroyer
Battalion
(attached)

14 A 10	2 C(I) 2*	2 I 4	3 A 5
 M-18	 M-8 Jeep	 M-20	 M-8
4 12	1 18	3 15	3 15
x 9	x 3	x 3	x 1

489th
Anti-Aircraft
Battalion
(attached)

6 H 12	8 I 4
 M-15	 M-16
3 10	3 10
x 4	x 4

The 4th Armored was part of Patton's Third Army to the south when the Germans attacked in the Ardennes. It was rushed north and was at first ordered to go to Bastogne (in fact a small task force with a company of tanks, a company of infantry and a battery of arty did arrive at Bastogne before being ordered back to the CCR at Haybay-la-Neuve). It later spearheaded the drive to relieve Bastogne and elements of this division were the first to establish contact with the beleaguered defenders of the town. During the battle, the division operated in three task forces as follows:

Combat Command A— 35th Tank Battalion, 51st Armored Infantry Battalion, 51st Armored Artillery Battalion, 25th Cavalry Recon Squadron (1 troop), 704th Tank Destroyer Battalion (1 company)

Combat Command B— 8th Tank Battalion, 10th Armored Infantry Battalion, 22nd Armored Artillery Battalion, 25th Cavalry Recon Squadron (1 troop), 704th Tank Destroyer Battalion (1 company)

Combat Command R— 37th Tank Battalion, 53rd Armored Infantry Battalion, 94th Armored Artillery Battalion, 25th Cavalry Recon Squadron (1 troop), 704th Tank Destroyer Battalion (1 company), 1 battery towed 155 How from 177 Corps Reserve Arty