

Gen. Robert H. Barrow

General Robert Barrow's 41 years of service in the U.S. Marine Corps included seven tours of duty in the Pacific and Far East and command in three wars. Active duty assignments as officer-in-charge, aide-de-camp, and company commander were followed by promotions to brigadier general, major general, and lieutenant general, with assignments at Camp Butler, Okinawa; Marine Corps Recruit Depot Parris Island; and Headquarters Marine Corps. In 1976, Gen. Barrow was named Commanding General, FMF, Atlantic at Norfolk and became Assistant Commandant of the Marine Corps in 1978. He was appointed Corps Commander in 1979 and served in that position until his retirement in 1983.

During his military career, Gen. Barrow earned dozens of awards, among them the Distinguished Service Medal, Navy Cross, Army Distinguished Service Cross, Silver Star Medal, three Legions of Merit, World War II Victory Medal, Korean Service Medal with three bronze stars, China Service Medal, and Vietnam Gallantry Cross with Palm.

In retirement, Gen. Barrow served on the President's Foreign Intelligence Advisory Board and the president's Blue Ribbon Commission on Defense Management (the Packard Commission), as well as a number of other boards and commissions.

Gen. Barrow attended LSU from 1939-42 and was awarded an honorary doctorate of science from the University in 1990.