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Figure Set

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The **Army of the Republic of Vietnam (ARVN)** infantry played a crucial role in the **Vietnam War** as the primary ground force against the **Viet Cong (VC)** and **North Vietnamese Army (NVA)**. Established in 1955, it consisted of regular army units and regional forces. American advisors and their own instructors trained ARVN soldiers, who were equipped with a range of weapons and supporting assets. The ARVN engaged in offensive campaigns, defensive actions, and counterinsurgency operations, they faced challenges such as guerrilla tactics and difficult terrain. While their performance varied, the ARVN infantry participated in major battles like **Ap Bac**, **Dak To**, and the **Tet Offensive**.

Challenges included infiltration, corruption, leadership issues, and coordination problems.

As American involvement decreased, the ARVN assumed greater responsibility but faced significant challenges. In 1975, the ARVN rapidly collapsed during the NVA's major offensive, leading to the fall of Saigon and communist rule. Despite difficulties, individual ARVN soldiers demonstrated courage and dedication, making significant contributions alongside allied forces in the defence of South Vietnam.

Sample poses can be found on the last page of this assembly instruction



- When you use glue or paint, do not use near a naked flame, and use in a well-ventilated area.
- When assembling this kit, tools including knives are used. Extra care should be taken to avoid personal injury.
- Keep out of reach of small children.

Read carefully and fully understand the instructions before commencing assembly. Model supplied unpainted. Bases, scenery, glue and paint not included. Legend used:



Choices



Optional



No glue



Drill hole



Bend



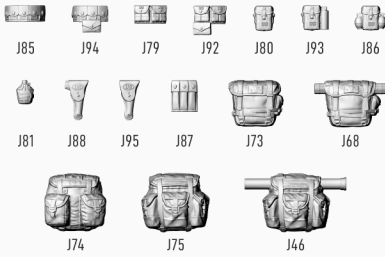
Cut or trim with care

 Please use **ABS Plastic Cement** for our plastic kits.

#### WARNING

- THIS IS NOT A TOY
- INTENDED FOR COLLECTORS OF AGE 14 AND ABOVE
- CONTAINS SMALL PARTS AND POINTED COMPONENTS
- NOT SUITABLE FOR CHILDREN UNDER 6 YEARS OLD
- MODEL MAY VARY FROM IMAGE ON BOX
- READY TO ASSEMBLE PRECISION MODEL KIT

## Optional Accessories



**J85:** M1942 Pouches

**J94:** M1942 Pouches with FAD

**J79:** Carbine Pouches

**J92:** Carbine Pouches with FAD

**J80:** Universal Pouch

**J93:** Universal Pouch with Smoke Grenade

**J86:** Universal Pouches with Grenades

**J81:** Canteen

**J88:** M1911A1 Pistol Pouch with Pistol

**J95:** M1911A1 Pistol Pouch

**J87:** Grease Gun Pouch

**J73:** M1945 Back Pack

**J68:** M1945 Back Pack, Straw Mat

**J74:** CIDG Ruck Sack

**J75:** Tropical Ruck Sack

**J46:** Tropical Ruck Sack, M72 LAW tube

## Sample Figures with Various Accessories



**FACTS:** ARVN forces were issued WW2 and Korean War era weapons and equipment. The M1910 double-hooks were fitted to the M1956 equipment belts. M1956 suspenders could be used with M1923 cartridge, M1936 pistol, and even M1937 BAR belts. Many ARVN soldiers customized their M1956 ILCE accessories based on their allocated weapons and availability.

## 1 Riflemen A

**NOTE:** The assembly guide for these plastic figures is for reference only. You can explore other combinations to creatively create your own pose.

**J10**  
M79 Grenade Launcher



**J12**  
M1 Carbine



**J09**  
M16 Assault Rifle



**J13**  
M1 Garand



**J08**  
M2 Carbine



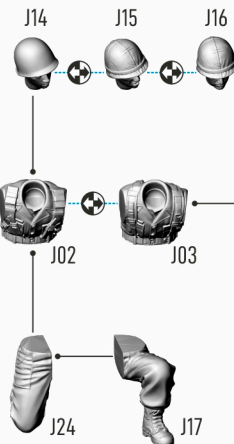
**J06**  
M16 Assault Rifle



**J05**



**J04**  
M72 LAW



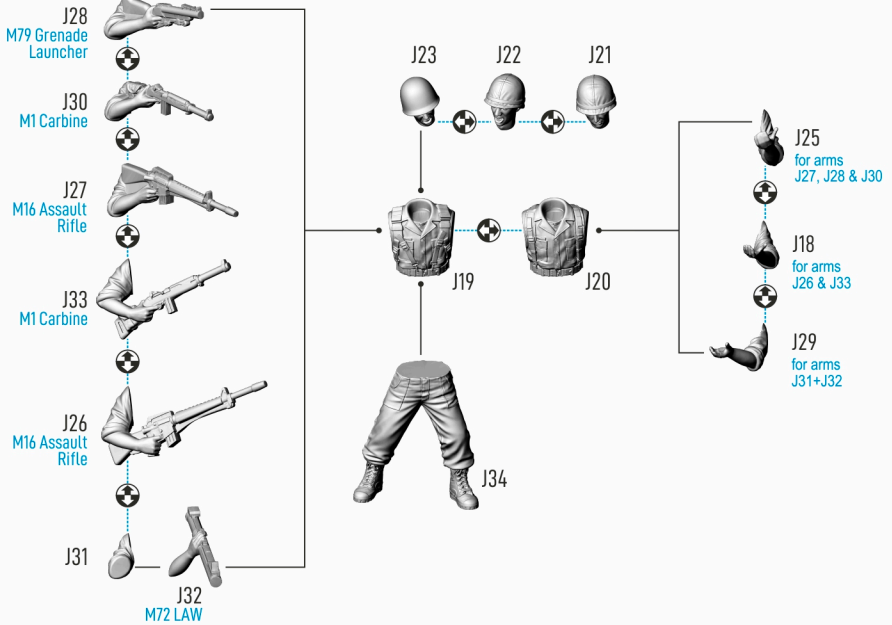
**J11**  
for arms  
J09, J10, J12  
and J13

**J01**  
for arms  
J06 & J08

**J07**  
for arms  
J04+J05

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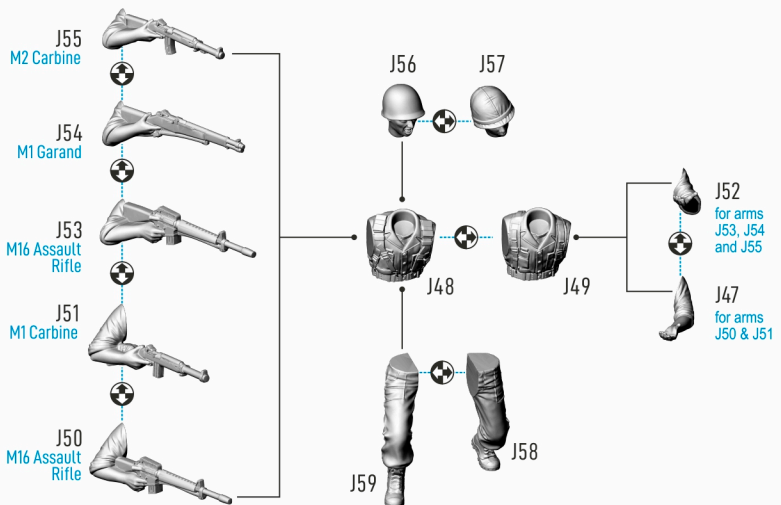
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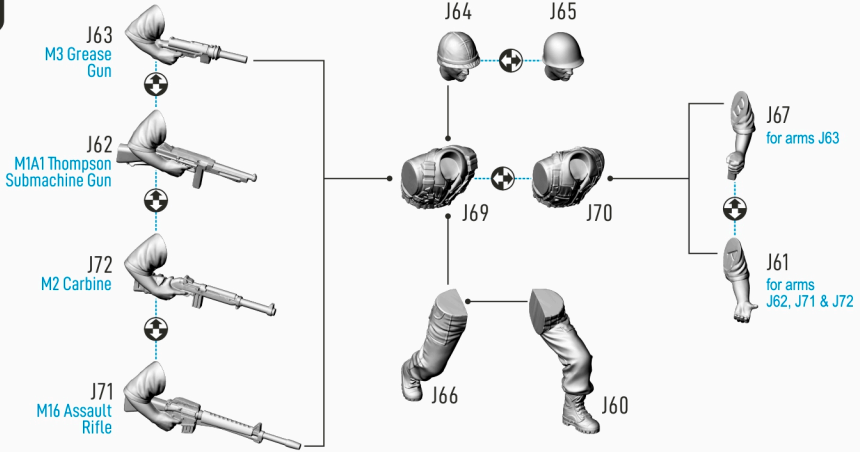
## Riflemen C

**FACTS:** Many Vietnamese showed a natural ability with the 40mm M79 Grenade Launcher. This light and compact weapon was issued one per rifle squad starting from 1966/67, replacing the previously issued BAR. It provided the squad with a useful increase in both direct and indirect firepower.



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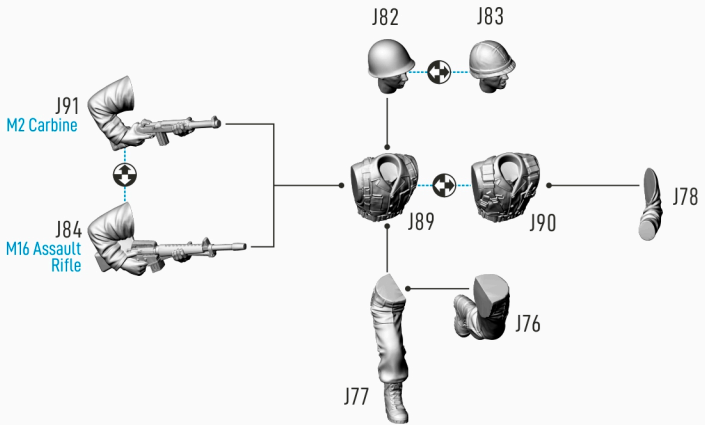
## Riflemen D



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## Riflemen E

**FACTS:** From 1964 until late 1968, the ARVN force structure primarily comprised ten infantry divisions within four corps headquarters. During these years of the heaviest fighting, ARVN troop numbers soared to over 700,000. In the last six years of the war (1969-1975), there were over one million ARVN soldiers serving in eleven infantry divisions, making the ARVN one of the world's largest armies.



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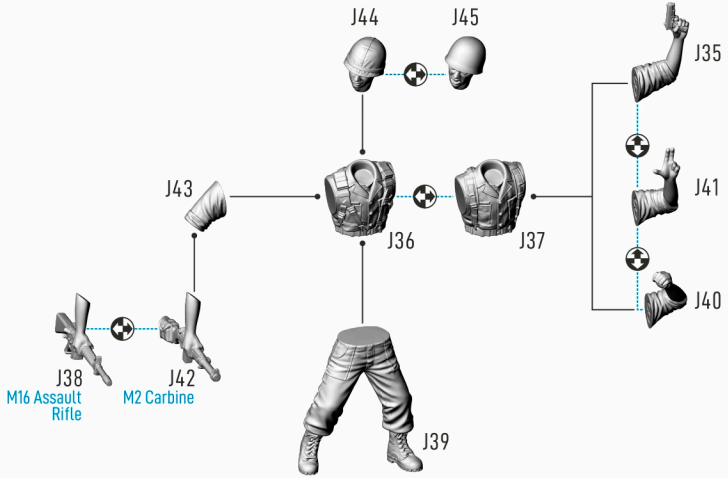


**281004 US Army** (Box of 30 plastic figures)

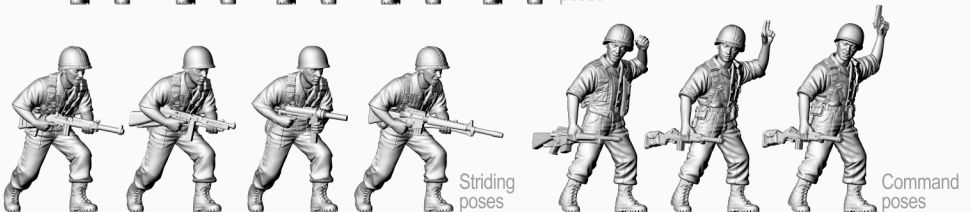
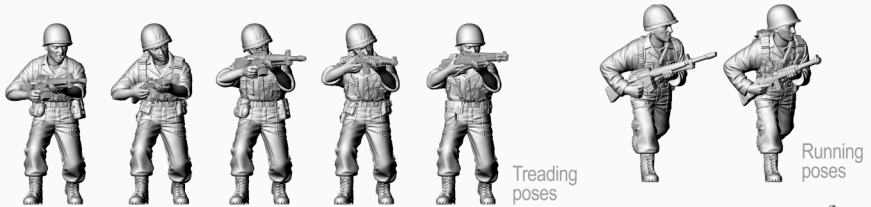
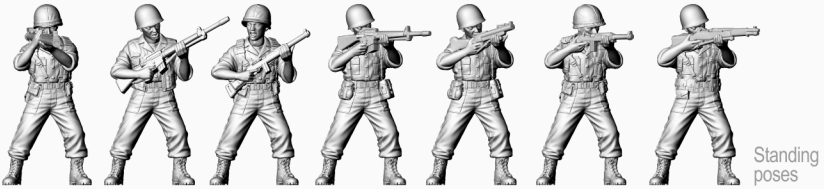
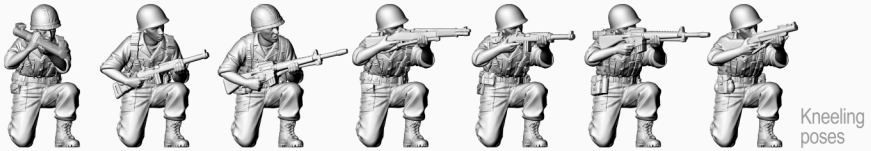
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## Riflemen F

**FACTS:** The ARVN rarely participated in offensive operations following the **Battle of Ia Drang** in November 1965. Instead, they excelled in search-and-destroy and "sweeping" missions with close US association. These limited-action missions had clear objectives and little use of air support. The ARVN had dramatically improved its performance over a short period of two years under the new combat operations plan.



## Sample Poses





280119 Bell UH-1D / UH-1H "Huey" Helicopter



280133 M54A2 5-ton 6x6 Truck



280124 M151A1 1/4 Ton 4x4 Truck



280125 M151A1C with 106mm Recoilless Rifle



280134 M113A1 APC & Variants



280135 M106A1 Mortar Carrier



280136 M577A1 Command Post Vehicle



280126 US M102 105mm Light Howitzer with Gun Crew



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