

316 OPERATIONS GROUP



MISSION

LINEAGE

316 Transport Group constituted, 2 Feb 1942
Activated, 14 Feb 1942
Redesignated 316 Troop Carrier Group, 1 Jul 1942
Redesignated 316 Troop Carrier Group, Medium, 24 Aug 1948
Redesignated 316 Troop Carrier Group, Heavy, 8 Oct 1949
Redesignated 316 Troop Carrier Group, Medium, 28 Jan 1950
Inactivated, 18 Jun 1957
Redesignated 316 Tactical Airlift Group on 23 Aug 1978
Activated, 1 Oct 1978
Inactivated, 1 Oct 1989
Redesignated 316 Airlift Support Group and activated, 1 Apr 1992
Inactivated, 1 Jul 1994
Redesignated 316 Operations Group, 21 Jun 2006
Activated, 22 Jun 2006
Inactivated, 1 Oct 2010

STATIONS

Patterson Field, OH, 14 Feb 1942
Bowman Field, KY, 17 Jun 1942
Lawson Field, GA, 9 Aug 1942
Del Valle, TX, 29 Sep-12 Nov 1942
Deversoir, Egypt, 23 Nov 1942
El Adem, Egypt, 10 Dec 1942
Fayid, Egypt, Jan 1943
Nouvion, Algeria, 9 May 1943

Guercif, French Morocco, 29 May 1943
Enfidaville, Tunisia, 21 Jun 1943
Mazzara, Sicily, 3 Sep 1943
Borizzo, Sicily, 18 Oct 1943-12 Feb 1944
Cottesmore, England, 15 Feb 1944-May 1945
Pope Field, NC, 25 May 1945
Greenville AAB, SC, 25 Aug 1947
Smyrna AFB, TN, 4 Nov 1949-15 Nov 1954
Ashiya, Japan, 15 Nov 1954
Yokota AB, Japan, 1 Oct 1978-1 Oct 1989
Yokota AB, Japan, 1 Apr 1992-1 Jul 1994
Andrews AFB, MD, 22 Jun 2006-1 Oct 2010

ASSIGNMENTS

Air Service Command, 14 Feb 1942
50 Transport Wing, 31 Mar 1942
52 Troop Carrier Wing, 20 Jun 1942
53 Troop Carrier Wing, 12 Oct 1942
50 Troop Carrier Wing, 3 Nov 1942
Ninth Air Force, Nov 1942
IX Air Service Command, 24 Feb 1943
52 Troop Carrier Wing, 26 Aug 1943
60 Troop Carrier Wing, 10 Jun 1945
50 Troop Carrier Wing, 9 Oct 1945
Third Air Force, 31 Jul 1946
Ninth Air Force, 1 Nov 1946
316 Troop Carrier Wing, 15 Aug 1947
314 Troop Carrier Wing, 4 Nov 1949
483 Troop Carrier Wing, 18 Mar 1955-18 Jun 1957
374 Tactical Airlift Wing, 1 Oct 1978-1 Oct 1989
Twenty Second Air Force, 1 Apr 1992
Fifteenth Air Force, 1 Jul 1993-1 Jul 1994
316 Wing, 22 Jun 2006-1 Oct 2010

WEAPON SYSTEMS

C-47, 1942-1946
C-53-1942-1946
C-82, 1946-1951
C-119, 1950-1957
YC-122, 1950-1954
C-130, 1978-1989
C-12, 1986
C-21, 1986
None, 1992-1994

UH-1, 2006-2010

COMMANDERS

Col Jerome B. McCauley, 14 Feb 1942
Lt Col Burton R. Fleet, 12 Aug 1943
Col Harvey A. Berger, 13 May 1944
Lt Col Walter R. Washburn, 2 Sep 1945
Lt Col Leonard C. Fletcher, 17 Sep 1945
Col Jerome B. McCauley, 5 Oct 1945
Col Clarence J. Galligan, 2 Feb 1946
LTC Leroy M. Stanton, 31 Sep 1946
Col Clarence J. Galligan, 1 Nov 1946
Col John H. Lackey Jr, Apr 1947
Col Edgar W. Hampton, 20 Sep 1947
Col Norton H. Van Sicklen III, 1 Aug 1950
Maj Dwight E. Maul, 31 Aug 1950
Maj Gordon F. Blood, 6 Sep 1950
Col Norton H. Van Sicklen III, 28 Dec 1950
Col William H. DeLacey, 1 Jun 1952
Col Richard P. Carr, Nov 1954
Col William C. Lindley, 19 Mar 1955
Col Bird R. Brownfield, 1 Oct 1978
Col Robert N. Clarke, 7 Jun 1979
Col Lowell G. Fathera, 11 Jun 1982
Col David D. Wilson, 10 Feb 1983
Col Thomas L. Sutton, 28 Jun 1985
Col John F. Mauss, 24 Jun 1988-1 Oct 1989
Col Peter W. Linqvist, 1 Apr 1992
Col Dick Calta, by 1 Jan 1993-unkn
Col Kenneth V. Volmert, 22 Jun 2006
Col Clair M. Glick, 18 Jul 2008
Col Bradley K. Grambo, 22 Jul-30 Sep 2010

HONORS

Service Streamers

World War II
American Theater

Campaign Streamers

World War II
Egypt-Libya
Tunisia
Sicily
Naples-Foggia

Rome-Arno
Normandy
Northern France
Rhineland
Central Europe

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Distinguished Unit Citations

Egypt, Libya, Tunisia, Sicily, 25 Nov 1942-25 Aug 1943

Sicily, 11 Jul 1943

France, [6-7] Jun 1944

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award

1 Jul 1987-30 Jun 1989

EMBLEM



Azure, nine parachutes argent, three, two, three, and one, all within a bordure per bend or and gules. (Approved 17 Aug 1951)

MOTTO

VALOR WITHOUT ARMS

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

Operations. Activated in Feb 1942 and arrived a year later in the Middle East. As the only troop carrier unit in the area, operated with Royal Air Force, Middle East (Desert Air Force) after Rommel's defeat at El Alamein. Transported supplies and evacuated casualties in support of

the Allied drive across North Africa. In May 1943, began training for the invasion of Sicily. Dropped paratroops over the assault area on the night of 9 Jul.

Transported reinforcements to Sicily on 11 Jul and received a Distinguished Unit Citation (DUC) for the mission although severely attacked by ground and naval forces. Received a second DUC for supporting aerial and ground operations in Egypt, Libya, Tunisia, and Sicily during 25 Nov 1942-25 Aug 1943 by transporting reinforcements and supplies. Participated in the invasion of Italy by dropping paratroops over the beachhead south of the Sele River on the night of 14 Sep 1943.

In Feb 1944, moved to England to prepare for the invasion of France. Received a third DUC for dropping paratroops near Ste-Mere-Eglise on D-Day 1944 and flying reinforcement missions on 7 Jun 1944. Dropped paratroops during an air attack on Holland in Sep 1944 and Wesel on 24 Mar 1945 when the Allies made the airborne assault across the Rhine River. While not engaged in airborne operations, transported supplies such as ammunition, gasoline, water, rations and evacuated wounded personnel to rear-zone hospitals. Returned to the US in May 1945; trained with transport aircraft; conducted joint training exercises with the Army Airborne Forces.

Transferred, without personnel and equipment, to Japan on 15 Nov 1954.

Between 1955 and inactivation on 18 Jun 1957, conducted intra-theater airlift in aerial supply, aeromedical evacuation, special airlift operations, special air movements and unit air movement.

Tasked with military airlift mission in NW Pacific, 1978-1989.

During 1992-1994, was responsible for aircraft generation, cargo/passenger processing, aeromedical evacuation, and command and control of all strategic, commercial and selected intra-theater missions at Yokota AB, Japan and Andersen AFB, Guam.

Mission of 316 ALSG to provide aircraft generation, passenger/cargo processing, and command and control of all strategic, commercial contracts, and selected intra-theater missions at Yokota Air Base, Japan And Andersen Air Force Base, Guam.

Managed 1 Helicopter Squadron which supported Washington D. C. capital area airlift for the Executive Branch, high-ranking dignitaries and military leaders, and other VIPs, 2006-1010.

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