

MISSION

LINEAGE

VII Interceptor Command constituted, 23 Jan 1942 Activated, 2 Feb 1942 Redesignated VII Fighter Command, May 1942 Redesignated 20 Fighter Wing, May 1946 Redesignated 46 Fighter Wing, Dec 1947 Inactivated, 24 Aug 1948

STATIONS

Ft Shafter, TH, 2 Feb 1942 Hickam Field, TH, 20 Oct 1944 Ft Kamehameha, TH, 18 Jan 1945 Iwo Jima, Mar 1945 Saipan, 1 Dec 1945 Guam, 15 Apr 1946-24 Aug 1948

ASSIGNMENTS

Seventh Air Force

COMMANDERS

Brig Gen Howard C. Davidson, Feb 1942 Brig Gen Robert W. Douglass, Jr., Oct 1942 Brig Gen Ernest Moore, May 1944 Col Thayer S. Olds, 4 Sep 1945 Brig Gen Winslow C. Morse, 26 Sep 1946 Col Romulus W. Puryear, Jan-24 Aug 1948

HONORS Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Air Offensive, Japan Western Pacific Ryukyus China Offensive

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

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OPERATIONS

Engaged in patrol activity from Hawaii. Later, served in combat in the Western Pacific. Remained in the theater as part of Far East Air Forces after the war.

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