

## 3 OPERATIONS SUPPORT SQUADRON



### MISSION

The 3 Operations Support Squadron provides scheduling, training, weapons and tactics, weather, airlift tactics, intelligence, airfield management, air traffic control, and operations plans.

### LINEAGE

3 Airdrome Squadron constituted, 7 Nov 1942

Activated, 2 Dec 1942

Inactivated, 20 May 1946

Activated, 15 Jan 1947

Inactivated, 20 Aug 1948

Disbanded, 8 Oct 1948

Reconstituted and redesignated 3 Operations Support Squadron, 6 Dec 1991

Activated, 19 Dec 1991

### STATIONS

Lockbourne AAB, OH, 2 Dec 1942

Myrtle Beach, SC, 14 Jan 1943

Hunter Fld, GA, 2 Mar-27 Apr 1943

Brisbane, Australia, 4 Jun 1943

Oro Bay, New Guinea, 19 Oct 1943

Lae, New Guinea, 8 Nov 1943

Saidor, New Guinea, 9 Jan 1944

San Pablo, Leyte, 16 Nov 1944

Tanauan, Leyte, 10 Dec 1944

Floriblanca, Luzon, 28 Mar 1945

Ie Shima, Ryukyus, 23 Jul 1945

Atsugi, Japan, 28 Aug 1945-20 May 1946  
Kimpo, South Korea, 15 Jan 1947-20 Aug 1948  
Elmendorf AFB, AK, 19 Dec 1991

### **ASSIGNMENTS**

Air Service Command, 2 Dec 1942  
Third Air Force, 28 Dec 1942  
III Bomber Command, 3 Jan 1943  
V Air Force Service Command, 4 Jun 1943  
Fifth Air Force, 12 Apr-20 May 1946  
308 Bombardment Wing, 15 Jan 1947  
475 Fighter Group, 22 Mar 1947-20 Aug 1948  
3 Operations Group, 19 Dec 1991

### **ATTACHMENTS**

81 Air Depot Group, 4 Jun-8 Oct 1943  
2 Air Task Force, 8 Nov 1943-unkn  
308 Bombardment Wing, 10 Dec 1944-unkn  
309 Bombardment Wing, by Apr-31 Oct 1944  
46 Service Group, 16 Nov 1944-15 Feb 1945  
59 Service Group, 15 Feb-Mar 1945  
7 Air Service Group, Mar-Jul 1945  
63 Air Service Group, 23 Jul 1945-unkn

### **COMMANDERS**

#### **HONORS**

##### **Service Streamers**

##### **Campaign Streamers**

World War II  
New Guinea 1943-1944  
Leyte 1944-1945  
Luzon 1944-1945

##### **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

##### **Decorations**

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards  
1 Jan 1994-31 Dec 1995  
1 Jan 1996-30 Sep 1998  
1 Jan 2000-31 Dec 2001  
1 Jan 2002-30 Sep 2003  
1 Oct 2003-30 Sep 2005

1 Oct 2005-1 Nov 2006  
2 Nov 2006-1 Nov 2008  
2 Nov 2008-1 Nov 2009

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3 Operations Support Squadron patch

## **MOTTO**

## **OPERATIONS**

Since 19 Dec 1991, the 3 Operations Support Squadron has grown in size and scope of operations. The squadron began with four flights with 100 personnel and had expanded to 10 flights with 228 personnel operating in 11 separate locations at Elmendorf Air Force Base.

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