34 PURSUIT SQUADRON (INTERCEPTOR)

MISSION

LINEAGE

34 Pursuit Squadron (Interceptor) constituted, 22 Dec 1939 Activated, 1 Feb 1940 Inactivated, 2 Apr 1946

STATIONS

Kelly Field, TX, 1 Feb 1940 Hamilton Field, CA, 30 Nov 1940-Oct 1941 Del Carmen, Luzon, 1 Nov 1941 Bataan, Luzon, 25 Dec 1941-Apr 1942 (operated from Mindanao, 8 Apr-May 1942)

ASSIGNMENTS

28 Composite Group, 1 Feb 1940 35 Pursuit Group, 30 Nov 1940-15 Jan 1942

ATTACHMENTS

24 Pursuit Group, 1 Oct 1941-2 Apr 1946

WEAPON SYSTEMS

P-36, 1940-1941 P-35, 1941-1942

COMMANDERS

1st Lt William P. Brett, 1 Feb 1940 Unknown, Sep 1940 1st Lt Samuel W. Marrett, Nov 1941-10 Dec 1941

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Philippine Islands

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Distinguished Unit Citations Philippine Islands, 7 Dec 1941-10 May 1942 Philippine Islands, 8-22 Dec 1941 Philippine Islands, 6 Jan-8 Mar 1942

Philippine Presidential Unit Citation

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OPERATIONS

Departed from the port of San Francisco on the U.S.A.T. President Coolidge and arrived at Manila, PI, on 20 November 1941. Transferred to Del Carmen, Luzon, PI, arriving there on 1 December 1941.

Ground echelon fought as an infantry unit in Bataan, captured by the Japanese in April 1942. Carried as an active unit but was not operational from the fall of the Philippines to 2 Apr 1946.

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