

# 549<sup>th</sup> BALLOON GROUP

## MISSION

## LINEAGE

Headquarters 49<sup>th</sup> Balloon Group constituted in the Organized Reserve, 29 Jul 1921

Initiated, 28 Aug 1922

Redesignated HQ, 549<sup>th</sup> Balloon Group, 20 Feb 1924

Inactivated, 1 Sep 1928

Redesignated Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron, 549<sup>th</sup> Balloon Group, 1 Oct 1933

Redesignated HHS, 66<sup>th</sup> Balloon Group, 1 Jan 1938

Concurrently withdrawn from the Organized Reserve and allotted to the Regular Army

Reorganized, Dec 1938

Disbanded, 31 May 1942

## STATIONS

Not initiated 1921-1922

Los Angeles, CA, 28 August 1922-1928

Inactive 1928-1938

Los Angeles, CA, 1938-1941

## ASSIGNMENTS

XIX Corps

IX Corps, 2 July 1923

## COMMANDERS

Capt. Harold B. Reed, 28 Aug 1922-Sep 1925

Unknown, Sep 1925-1 Sep 1928

Inactive, 1 Sep 1928-Dec 1938

Unknown, Dec 1938-7 Dec 1941

## HONORS

## **Service Streamers**

## **Campaign Streamers**

## **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

## **Decorations**

## **EMBLEM**

## **MOTTO**

## **NICKNAME**

## **OPERATIONS**

Constituted in the Organized Reserve on 29 July 1921 as Headquarters, 49th Balloon Group, assigned to the XIX Corps, and allotted to the Ninth Corps Area. Initiated on 28 August 1922 with headquarters at Los Angeles, CA. Relieved from the XIX Corps 2 July 1923 and assigned to the IX Corps. Redesignated as HQ, 549th Balloon Group on 20 February 1924. Inactivated 1 September 1928 at Los Angeles by relief of personnel. Redesignated as Headquarters and Headquarters Squadron, 549th Balloon Group on 1 October 1933. Redesignated as HHS, 66th Balloon Group on 1 January 1938. Concurrently withdrawn from the Organized Reserve and allotted to the Regular Army. Reorganized by December 1938 with headquarters at Los Angeles, CA. Conducted summer training most years at Ross Field, CA, 1923-28.. Status: Disbanded 31 May 1942.

Subordinate squadrons: 333rd Balloon Company 1921-33, 334th Balloon Company 1921-33, 335th Balloon Company 1921-33, 336th Balloon Company 1921-33, Balloon Park No. 39 1921-23, 346th Balloon Service Company 1923-33, 333rd Balloon Squadron 1933-41, 334th Balloon Squadron 1933-41, 335th Balloon Squadron 1933-41, 346th Service Squadron 1933-41

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Air Force Lineage and Honors

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