

# **History and Facts**

The history and facts page reflects the service of the 332<sup>nd</sup> Fighter Group up to the year 1945.

# Lineage

The 332<sup>nd</sup> Fighter Group was established on 4 July 1942. The Fighter Group was activated on 13 October 1942.

# Assignments

The 332<sup>nd</sup> Fighter Group was attached to the following commands between 1942 and 1945.

Third Air Force, 13 October 1943 First Air Force, 23 July 1943 Twelfth Air Force, 27 January 1944 Twelfth Air Force Training and Replacement Command, 3 February 1944 Twelfth Fighter Command, 10 February 1944  $62^{nd}$  Fighter Wing, 10 February 1944 Fifteenth Air Force, 22 May 1944  $306^{th}$  Fighter Wing, 22 May 1944  $305^{th}$  Bombardment Wing, 12 June to September 1945

# Stations

Tuskegee, Alabama, 13 October 1942 Selfridge Field, Michigan, 29 March 1943 Oscoda, Michigan, 12 April 1943 Selfridge Field, Michigan 9 July - 22 December 1943 Montecorvino, Italy, 8 February 1944 Capodichino, Italy, 15 April 1944 Ramitelli Airfield, Italy, 28 May 1944 Cattolica, Italy, 4 May 1945 Lucera, Italy, 18 July to September 1945

# Commanders

Lt. Col. Sam W. Westbrook, Jr. , 19 October 1942 Col. Robert R. Selway, Jr. , 16 May 1943 Col. Benjamin O. Davis Jr. , 8 October 1943 Maj. George S. Roberts, 3 November 1944 Col. Benjamin O. Davis Jr. , 24 December 1944 Maj. George S Roberts, 9 June 1945

# **Combat Aircraft**

Curtiss P-40F/L Warhawk Bell P-39L/Q Airacobra Republic P-47D/N Thunderbolt North American P-51B/C/D Mustang

# **Fighter Group Components**



**99<sup>th</sup> Fighter Squadron** 1 May 1944 to 22 June 1945

# Lineage

The 99<sup>th</sup> Pursuit Squadron was established on 19 March 1941. The squadron was activated on 22 March 1941. The 99<sup>th</sup> Pursuit Squadron was redesignated the 99<sup>th</sup> Fighter Squadron on 15 May 1942 and later the 99<sup>th</sup> Fighter Squadron was designated 99<sup>th</sup> Fighter Squadron, Single Engine, on 28 February 1944.

# Assignments

U.S. Army Air Corp, 22 March 1941 U.S. Army Air Corp Technical Training Command,26 March 1941 Southeast Air Corp Training Center, 5 November 1941 3<sup>rd</sup> Fighter Command, 19 August 1942 to 2 April 1943 Twelfth Air Force, 24 April 1943 XII Air Support Command, 28 May 1943 \*Attached 33<sup>rd</sup> Fighter Group, 29 May 1943 \*Attached 324<sup>th</sup> Fighter Group, 29 June 1943 \*Attached 33<sup>rd</sup> Fighter Group, 19 July 1943 \*Attached 324<sup>th</sup> Fighter Group, 16 October 1943 \*Attached 324<sup>th</sup> Fighter Group, 1 April 1943 to 6 June 1944 \*Attached 332<sup>nd</sup> Fighter Group, 1 May 1944 \*Attached 86<sup>th</sup> Fighter Group, 11-30 June 1944 477<sup>th</sup> Composite Group, 22 June 1945

# Stations

Chanute Field, Illinois, 22 March 1941 Maxwell Field, Alabama, 5 November 1941 Tuskegee AAF, Alabama, 10 November 1941 to 2 April 1943 Casablanca, French Morocco, 24 April 1943 Qued N'ja, French Morocco, 29 April 1943 Fardjouna, Tunisia, 7 June 1943 Licata, Sicily, 28 July 1943 Termini, Sicily, 4 September 1943 Barcellona, Sicily, 17 September 1943 Foggia, Italy, 17 October 1943 Madna, Italy, 22 November 1943 Capodichino, Italy, 16 January 1944 Cercola, Italy, 2 April 1944 Pignataro, Italy, 10 May 1944 Ciampino, Italy, 11 Jun 1944 Orbetello, Italy, 17 June 1944 Ramatelli, Italy, 6 July 1944 Cattolica, 5 May to June 1945

#### Commanders

Capt. Harold R. Maddux, 22 Mar 1941 2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. Clyde H. Bynum, 10 Nov 1941 Capt. Alonzo S. Ward, 6 Dec 1941 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. George S. Roberts, 1 Jun 1942 Lt. Col. Benjamin O. Davis, Jr., 22 Aug 1942 Maj. George S. Roberts, 2 Sep 1943 Capt. Erwin B. Lawrence, Jr., 13 Apr 1944 Maj. George S. Roberts, 1 Sep 1944 Capt. Alfonso W. Davis, 20 Oct 1944 Maj. William A. Campbell, 29 Oct 1944 Capt. Wendell M. Lucas, 22 Jun 1945 Maj. William A. Campbell, 3 Jul 1945

### **Decorations**

Distinguished Unit Citations: Sicily, Jun-Jul 1943; Cassino, 12-14 May 1944; Germany, 24 Mar 1945



# Lineage

The 100<sup>th</sup> Pursuit Squadron was established on 27 December 1942. The squadron was activated on 27 February 1942. The 100<sup>th</sup> Pursuit Squadron was redesignated the 100<sup>th</sup> Fighter Squadron on 15 May 1942 and later the 100<sup>th</sup> Fighter Squadron was designated 100<sup>th</sup> Fighter Squadron, Single Engine, on 15 September 1944.

#### Assignments

U.S. Army Air Corp Technical Training Command,19 February 1942 3<sup>rd</sup> Fighter Command, 4 July 1942 332<sup>nd</sup> Fighter Group, 13 October 1942 to 19 October 1945

#### Stations

Tuskegee AAF, Alabama, 19 February 1942 Selfridge Field, Michigan, 29 March 1943 Oscoda AAF, Michigan, 29 October 1943 Selfridge Field, Michigan, 8 November to 22 December 1943 Montecorvino, Italy, 3 February 1944 Capodichino, Italy, 21 February 1944 Ramatelli, Italy, 6 June 1944 Cattolica, Italy, 4 May 1945 Lucerna, Italy, 18 July to 30 September 1945

#### Commanders

Capt. James Hunter, 15 Jan 1943 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Mac Ross, 26 Jan 1943 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. George L. Knox, 5 Apr 1943 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Elwood T. Driver, 29 Jun 1943 Capt. Robert B. Tresville, 6 Jul 1943 Maj. Andrew D. Turner, 22 Jun 1944 Capt. Roscoe C. Brown, Jun 1945

# Decorations

Distinguished Unit Citation: Germany, 24 Mar 1945.



# Lineage

The 301<sup>st</sup> Fighter Squadron was established on 4 July 1942. The squadron was activated on 13 October 1942. The 301<sup>st</sup> Fighter Squadron was redesignated the 301<sup>st</sup> Fighter Squadron, Single Engine, on 21 August 1944.

# Assignments

U.S. Army Air Corp Technical Training Command,19 February 1942 3<sup>rd</sup> Fighter Command, 4 July 1942 332<sup>nd</sup> Fighter Group, 13 October 1942 to 19 October 1945

# Stations

Tuskegee AAF, Alabama, 19 February 1942 Selfridge Field, Michigan, 29 March 1943 Oscoda AAF, Michigan, 29 October 1943 Selfridge Field, Michigan, 8 November to 22 December 1943 Montecorvino, Italy, 8 February 1944 Capodichino, Italy, 15 April 1944 Ramatelli, Italy, 30 May 1944 Cattolica, Italy, 4 May 1945 Lucerna, Italy, 18 July to 30 September 1945

# Commanders

1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Frederick E. Miles, 15 Jan 1943
Capt. Charles H. Debow, 26 Jan 1943
Capt. Lee Rayford, 28 Feb 1944
Capt. Armour G. McDaniel, Jan 1945
Capt. Walter M. Downs, c. 25 Mar 1945

# Decorations

Distinguished Unit Citation: Germany, 24 Mar 1945.



# Lineage

The 302<sup>nd</sup> Fighter Squadron was established on 4 July 1942. The squadron was activated on 13 October 1942. The 302<sup>nd</sup> Fighter Squadron was redesignated the 302<sup>nd</sup> Fighter Squadron, Single Engine, on 21 August 1944.

# Assignments

332<sup>nd</sup> Fighter Group, 13 October 1942 to 6 March 1945

#### **Stations**

Tuskegee AAF, Alabama, 13 October 1942 Selfridge Field, Michigan, 29 March 1943 Oscoda AAF, Michigan, 19 November 1943 Selfridge Field, Michigan, 1-22 December 1943 Taranto, Italy 1 February 1944 Montecorvino, Italy, 7 February 1944 Capodichino, Italy, 6 March 1944 Ramatelli, Italy, 28 May 1944 to 6 March 1945

# Commanders

2<sup>nd</sup> Lt. William T. Mattison, 11 Mar 1943
1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Robert B. Tresville, 29 May 1943
1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Edward C. Gleed, 6 Jul 1943
Capt. Melvin T. Jackson, 22 Apr 1944
Capt. Vernon V. Haywood, Jan 1945

# Decorations

None