

302 AIRLIFT CONTROL FLIGHT

MISSION

LINEAGE

302 Airlift Control Flight
Constituted, 14 Jul 1987
Activated, 1 Oct 1987

STATIONS

Peterson AFB, CO

ASSIGNMENTS

302 Tactical Airlift Wing

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

MOTTO

OPERATIONS

Autumn brings about many changes and if there is a group that knows how to change faster than the seasons, it's the assortment of talents, careers and background which makeup an airlift control flight at the 302nd Airlift Wing. In the past year, the small but mighty ALCF at Peterson Air Force Base, Colo., has deployed their members to Germany, Djibouti, Iraq, Qatar,

and Afghanistan. Upon deployment the ALCF becomes a Tactical Airlift Control Flight. Their primary focus is on aircrew management, aircraft flight following, maintenance of aircraft, and the loading and unloading of aircraft. This group is well known in the deployed environment. Among special tactics Airmen, they are viewed as the "Calvary." Getting in is easy but the first critical support often comes with the TALCE to maintain operations until larger contingencies arrive. For special tactics members the TALCE is a sight for sore eyes, especially when there is a need for flexibility and modification. "The needs and requirements call for so many changes and the enlisted members meet those challenges in deployed environment and locally," said Lt. Col. Doug Strawbridge, former 302nd ALCF commander. ALCF members may work independently or along side their active-duty counterparts. "We deployed as an entire unit this summer to Ft. Bliss, Texas, for an exercise called Desert Warrior," said the colonel. "Everyone performed duties well outside of our job descriptions which directly led to the missions being accomplished every single day." The hard work of members assigned to the airlift control flight was recognized recently 2007

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