# 349 OPERATIONS SUPPORT FLIGHT



### **MISSION**

### **LINEAGE**

349 Airdrome Squadron constituted, 9 May 1944
Activated, 10 May 1944
Inactivated, 29 December 1945
Disbanded, 8 Oct 1948
Reconstituted, redesignated 349 Operations Support Squadron, and activated in the reserve,
1 Aug 1992
Redesignated 349 Operations Support Flight, 1 Oct 1992

## **STATIONS**

Syracuse AAB, NY, 10 May 1944
Bowman Field, KY, 17 Aug 1944
Baer Field, IN, 26 Oct- 15 Nov 1944
Sylhet, India, Dec 1944
Agartala, India, 29 Dec 1944
Chittagong, India, 27 Jan 1945
Namponmao AB, Bum1a, 30 May 1945
Myitkyina, Burma, 10 Jun-29 Dec 1945
Travis AFB, CA, 1 Aug 1992

### **ASSIGNMENTS**

I Troop Carrier Cd 4 Combat Cargo Group 349 Operations Group, 1 Aug 1992

### **COMMANDERS**

Lt Col David J. Knolmayer, 5 Aug 2011 Lt Col Ruth Meyer, 22 Apr 2012

HONORS
Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers India-Burma, 1944-1945

### **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

### **Decorations**

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards [1 Aug] 1992-30 Jun 1994 1 Jul 1994-15 Aug 1995

#### **EMBLEM**



On a disc Sable, issuant from base a demi-sphere Azure, gridlined of the first charged by a roaring grizzly bear in sinister Brün, highlighted Argent, clawed and nosed Sable, in dexter the Ursa Major constellation; all within a narrow Yellow border. Attached below the disc, a Black scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "349TH OPERATIONS SUPPORT SQ" in Yellow letters. **SIGNIFICANCE.** Ultramarine Blue and Air Force Yellow are the Air Force colors. Blue alludes to the sky, the primary theater of Air Force operations. Yellow refers to the sun and the excellence required of Air Force personnel. The grizzly bear is the state animal of California, which is the unit's operating location. The sphere with black gridlines signifies the global reach and mission of the unit's parent wing, the 349th Air Mobility Wing. The Ursa Major constellation, known as the "Big Dipper" is composed of seven stars. Each star

represents the seven squadrons of the 349th Operations Group that the unit primarily supports. (Approval, 4 Mar 2022)

#### MOTTO

### **OPERATIONS**

The Combat Cargo Groups were to be self-contained groups, capable of being 100% operational and always ready to go at a moment's notice. To that end, each Combat Cargo Squadron was to have an Airdrome Squadron assigned with it. Each Airdrome Squadrons mission was to supply all tasks, including everything (from cooking to aircraft maintenance), necessary for the Combat Cargo Squadron to be self-sufficient. Airdrome Squadrons were assigned to the Combat Cargo Group in the states.

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Sources

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