# 3416<sup>th</sup> WING

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AAF BASE UNITS BY COMMAND ON 1 May 1945 3718th (Mobile Training Unit) 1108 15th St, Denver 2, Colo.

#### AAF Base Units Established

In April 1944 the flying and technical training installations disbanded all active support units, except AAF bands, and reorganized each base under an AAF base unit. At Keesler, for example, the 3704th AAF Base Unit took over all administration, training and operations, and supply and maintenance duties. In the process of this reorganization, the base discontinued 59 units.

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You appear to be right about your father being in a training unit that moved around. Although I do not have an activation date for the 3718th AAF Base Unit(Mobile Training Unit), it was located at Denver CO (Lowry Fld?) until 20 May 46, when it moved to Chanute Fld (later AFB). It became an AF Base Unit on 26 Sep 47 and was discontinued on 28 Aug 48 (italics indicate unconfirmed information).

## **LINEAGE**

3718th Army Air Force Base Unit 3718th Air Force Base Unit

## **STATIONS**

Chanute AFB, IL, 20 May 1946-28 Aug 1948

**ASSIGNMENTS** 

**COMMANDERS** 

**HONORS** 

**Service Streamers** 

**Campaign Streamers** 

**Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers** 

**Decorations** 

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