4160 AAF BASE UNIT

MISSION Air Base Sacramento ATSC

LINEAGE 4160 AAF Base Unit

STATIONS Albuquerque AAF, NM

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

HONORS Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

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OPERATIONS

In May of 1945, with the Allies in control of the war in the Pacific, the AAF determined that it had enough four-engine pilots and future pilot training classes were cancelled. Five months later, command of the HAAF was transferred from Western Training Flying Command to the Central Flying Command out of Randolph Field, San Antonio, Texas, resulting in the HAAF changing its AAF designation from the 3017th AAF Base Unit to the 4160th (U.S. Army 1945-

47). The change of command resulted in a change in mission from pilot training to the temporary storage of A-26 Invaders and P-51 Mustangs. Training personnel and the detachment of WAACs were shipped out and more mechanics were brought in. Base strength was now 174 officers, 877 enlisted men, and 437 civilians.

1944 History of 3017th AAF Base Unit Hobbs Army Air Field, Hobbs, New Mexico. September 1 to October31. Air Force History Support Office, Bolling Air Force Base, Washington, DC.

1945-46 Historical Record of 4160th Army Air Forces Base Unit. Hobbs Army Air Field, Hobbs, New Mexico, from 1 November 1945 to 30 March 1946. Air Force History Support Office, Bolling Air Force Base, Washington, DC.

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