

# **76 SERVICE SQUADRON**

## **MISSION**

## **LINEAGE**

76 Observation Squadron constituted in the Regular Army, 18 Oct 1927

Organized, Jun 1928

Redesignated 76 Service Squadron, 8 May 1929

Activated, 30 Nov 1930

Inactivated, 1 Sep 1936

## **STATIONS**

Not organized, 1927-1928

Kelly Field, Texas, 1928-1930

Rockwell Field, Coronado, CA, 30 Nov 1930-1932

March Field, California, 15 Mar 1932-1936

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

20 Pursuit Group

19 Bombardment Group, 15 Jun 1932

## **WEAPON SYSTEMS**

C-27

## **COMMANDERS**

Unknown, Jun 1928-30 Nov 1930

1<sup>st</sup> Lt Eugene C. Batten, 30 Nov 1930

1<sup>st</sup> Lt John K. Nissley, 24 May 1931

1<sup>st</sup> Lt Claude E. Duncan, 25 Aug 1931

1<sup>st</sup> Lt Richard K. LeBrou, 24 Sep 1931

Capt Carl W. Pyle, 26 Jan 1933

Capt Delmar H. Dunton, 12 Sep 1934

Capt Carlyle H. Ridenour, 1 Mar 1935

Maj Carl W. Pyle, 20 Apr 1935

1<sup>st</sup> Lt Thomas W. Steed, 1 Jul 1936

Maj Walter R. Peck, 31 Jul 1936-1 Sep 1936

## **HONORS**

### **Service Streamers**

### **Campaign Streamers**

### **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

### **Decorations**

## **EMBLEM**

## **MOTTO**

## **OPERATIONS**

Constituted in the Regular Army on 18 October 1927 as the 76th Observation Squadron and allotted to the Eighth Corps Area. Organized by June 1928 with Organized Reserve personnel as a RAI unit at Kelly Field, TX. Organized Reserve officers assigned to the unit participated in summer training at Kelly Field 1928-30. Designated mobilization training station was Dodd Field, TX, 1927-30. Redesignated as the 76th Service Squadron on 8 May 1929 and assigned to the 20th Pursuit Group. Activated on 30 November 1930, less Reserve personnel, at Rockwell Field, CA. Relieved from assignment to the 20th Pursuit Group on 15 June 1932 and assigned to the 19th Bombardment Group. Transferred on 15 March 1932 to March Field, CA. Inactivated on 1 September 1936 at March Field, CA.

In the mid-1930's it was decided to transfer the 7th Bomb Group to make room for the 19th Bomb Group, due to move upon the closure of Rockwell. After three year's assignment, the Seventh moved with all its squadrons to Hamilton Field on December 4, 1934. Taking its place was the Nineteenth, which had been reactivated at Rockwell on June 24, 1932. It moved to March with its component 23rd, 30th, and 32nd Bomb Squadrons and 76th Service Squadron on October 25, 1935.

After this reorganization, few changes took place before World War II. On September 1, 1936, the 64th and 76th Service Squadrons were inactivated and surplus personnel consolidated into the newly-formed 4th Air Base Squadron.

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### **Sources**

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