

209th TOW TARGET FLIGHT

The 180th Light Bombardment Squadron, with 373 officers and men were called to active duty 1 April under command of Major Wilby W. Lee. Captain James J. Billger was named Commander of the 209th TOW Target Flight, which formed in March 1951 and reported to Newcastle County Airport, Wilmington, Delaware. At that point, the 209th consolidated with several other flights to form the second TOW Squadron on the reactivated Delaware base. The unit towed for ground-to-air gunnery plus radar tracing missions, primarily for National Guard units and coastal defense using both B and C model B-26s. Major Blough was commander of the unit, which remained on extended active duty for a full 21 months until released 15 February 1953.

LINEAGE

STATIONS

ASSIGNMENTS

WEAPON SYSTEMS

ASSIGNED AIRCRAFT SERIAL NUMBERS

ASSIGNED AIRCRAFT TAIL/BASE CODES

UNIT COLORS

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

EMBLEM SIGNIFICANCE

MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

Air Force Order of Battle

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