

# III TACTICAL COMMAND

## LINEAGE

III Ground Air Support Command constituted, 15 May 1942  
Activated, 19 May 1942  
Redesignated III Air Support Command, Sep 1942  
Redesignated III Reconnaissance Command, Aug 1943  
Redesignated III Tactical Air Command, Mar 1944  
Disbanded, 24 Oct 1945

## STATIONS

Birmingham, AL, 19 May 1942  
Barksdale Field, LA, 1 Apr 1944-24 Oct 1945

## ASSIGNMENTS

Third AF

## COMMANDERS

BG William E. Lynd, 25 May 1942  
Col Rosenham Beam, 21 Jun 1942  
BG Arthur B. McDaniel, 1 Oct 1942  
Col John E. Bodle, Dec 1943  
BG Hume Peabody, 20 Mar 1944  
BG John F. McBlain, 17 Nov 1944  
BG Gordon P. Saville, 22 Mar 1945  
BG Ford L. Fair, 1 May 1945  
BG James W. McCauley, 20 Jul-24 Oct 1945

## HONORS

**Service Streamers**

**Campaign Streamers**

American Theater

## **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

### **Decorations**

### **EMBLEM**

### **MOTTO**

### **NICKNAME**

### **OPERATIONS**

Trained dive bombardment, light bombardment, and reconnaissance organizations and personnel; also gave air support to ground units in training and participated in air-ground maneuvers and demonstrations.

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