

V FIGHTER COMMAND

LINEAGE

II Interceptor Command constituted, 26 May 1941
Activated, 4 Jun 1941
Redesignated II Fighter Command, May 1942
Redesignated V Fighter Command, Aug 1942
Inactivated, 31 May 1946
Disbanded, 8 Oct 1948

STATIONS

Ft George Wright, Wash, 4 Jun 1941
Ft Lawton, Wash, 19 Jun 1941-2 Oct 1942
Australia, Nov 1942
Port Moresby, New Guinea, Dec 1942
Nadzab, New Guinea, Jan 1944
Owi, Schou-ten Islands, Jul 1944
Leyte, Nov 1944; Mindoro, Jan 1945
Clark Field, Luzon, Mar 1945
Okinawa, Aug 1945
Fukuoka, Japan, Oct 1945-31 May 1946

ASSIGNMENTS

Fifth AF

WEAPON SYSTEMS

COMMANDERS

BG Carlyle H. Wash, Jun 1941
Col Howard H. Newman, 1942
BG Paul B. Wurtsmith, 11 Nov 1942
Col Neel E. Kearby, 24 Nov 1943
BG Paul B. Wurtsmith, 13 Jan 1944
BG Frederic H. Smith, Jr., 10 Feb 1945
Col Hugh A. Parker, 30 Sep 1945-31 Mar 1946

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

American Theater
Air Offensive, Japan
China Defensive
Papua New Guinea
Bismarck Archipelago
Western Pacific
Leyte
Luzon
Southern Philippines
China Offensive

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Distinguished Unit Citation
Papua, [Nov] 1942-23 Jan 1943

Philippine Presidential Unit Citation

EMBLEM

EMBLEM SIGNIFICANCE

MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

Moved to the Southwest Pacific, Oct-Nov 1942, and operated with until the end of the war. Afterward, served with the occupation force in Japan.

This V Fighter Command has no connection with a 5th Interceptor Command that was constituted on 14 Oct 1941, activated on 30 Oct, and redesignated Fighter Command School in Aug 1942. Nor is it related to a 5th Interceptor Command; probably a provisional organization that was located in the Philippines in 1941-1942.

Air Force Order of Battle

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Sources

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