

LINEAGE OF

1ST BATTALION, 8TH MARINES

1940 – 1947

ACTIVATED 1 APRIL 1940 AT SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA, AS
1ST BATTALION, 8TH MARINES AND ASSIGNED TO 2D MARINE BRIGADE

2D MARINE BRIGADE REDESIGNATED 1 FEBRUARY 1941 AS 2D MARINE DIVISION

REASSIGNED DURING DECEMBER 1941 TO 2D MARINE BRIGADE, 2D MARINE DIVISION

2D MARINE BRIGADE DEPLOYED DURING JANUARY 1942 TO AMERICAN SAMOA
AND DETACHED FROM 2D MARINE DIVISION

DETACHED DURING OCTOBER 1942 FROM 2D MARINE BRIGADE

REASSIGNED DURING FEBRUARY 1943 TO 2D MARINE DIVISION

PARTICIPATED IN THE FOLLOWING WORLD WAR II CAMPAIGNS

GUADALCANAL

TARAWA

SAIPAN

TINIAN

OKINAWA

DEPLOYED DURING SEPTEMBER 1945 TO NAGASAKI, JAPAN

PARTICIPATED IN THE OCCUPATION OF JAPAN, SEPTEMBER 1945 – JUNE 1946

RELOCATED DURING JUNE-JULY 1946 TO CAMP LEJEUNE, NORTH CAROLINA

DEACTIVATED 18 NOVEMBER 1947

1950 – 1989

REACTIVATED 1 NOVEMBER 1950 AT CAMP LEJEUNE, NORTH CAROLINA

PARTICIPATED IN THE INTERVENTION IN LEBANON,
JULY-SEPTEMBER 1958

PARTICIPATED IN CUBAN MISSILE CRISIS, OCTOBER-DECEMBER 1962

PARTICIPATED IN THE INTERVENTION IN THE DOMINICAN REPUBLIC, MAY-JUNE 1965

PARTICIPATED AS PART OF THE MULTINATIONAL PEACEKEEPING FORCE, LEBANON,
MAY-NOVEMBER 1983

1990 – 2018

PARTICIPATED IN OPERATIONS DESERT SHIELD AND DESERT STORM, SOUTHWEST ASIA,
DECEMBER 1990 – APRIL 1991

ELEMENTS PARTICIPATED IN SUPPORT OF OPERATIONS PROVIDE PROMISE AND
DENY FLIGHT, BOSNIA, SEPTEMBER-OCTOBER 1993 AND JANUARY 1994

ELEMENTS PARTICIPATED IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION SUPPORT DEMOCRACY,
CARIBBEAN AREA, MAY-JULY 1994

ELEMENTS PARTICIPATED IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION SEA SIGNAL, CUBA,
JUNE-JULY 1994

PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION SILVER WAKE, ALBANIA, MARCH 1997

PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, IRAQ, APRIL 2003,
JUNE 2004 – JANUARY 2005, JUNE-OCTOBER 2006, SEPTEMBER 2007 – APRIL 2008 AND
MARCH-SEPTEMBER 2009


PARTICIPATED IN HUMANITARIAN ASSISTANCE AND DISASTER RELIEF OPERATIONS,
U.S. GULF COAST, IN RESPONSE TO HURRICANE KATRINA, SEPTEMBER 2005

PARTICIPATED IN NONCOMBATANT EVACUATION OPERATIONS, LEBANON, JULY 2006

PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM, AFGHANISTAN,
AUGUST 2010 – MARCH 2011 AND JANUARY-AUGUST 2012

28 September 2018

DATE


COMMANDANT OF THE MARINE CORPS

United States Marine Corps



HONORS

AWARDED

1ST BATTALION, 8TH MARINES

PRESIDENTIAL UNIT CITATION WITH TWO BRONZE STARS

WORLD WAR II

1942

1943

1945

NAVY UNIT COMMENDATION WITH ONE SILVER STAR

LEBANON

1983

SOUTHWEST ASIA

1990 – 1991

IRAQ

2004 – 2005

2009 – 2010

LEBANON

2006

AFGHANISTAN

2010 – 2011

MERITORIOUS UNIT COMMENDATION STREAMER

ALBANIA
1997

MARINE CORPS EXPEDITIONARY STREAMER WITH ONE BRONZE STAR

AMERICAN DEFENSE SERVICE STREAMER

ASIATIC-PACIFIC CAMPAIGN STREAMER WITH ONE SILVER STAR

WORLD WAR II VICTORY STREAMER

NAVY OCCUPATION SERVICE STREAMER WITH "ASIA"

NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE STREAMER WITH THREE BRONZE STARS

ARMED FORCES EXPEDITIONARY STREAMER WITH TWO BRONZE STARS

SOUTHWEST ASIA SERVICE STREAMER WITH THREE BRONZE STARS

AFGHANISTAN CAMPAIGN STREAMER WITH TWO BRONZE STARS


IRAQ CAMPAIGN STREAMER WITH FOUR BRONZE STARS

GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM EXPEDITIONARY STREAMER

GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM SERVICE STREAMER

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