

United States Marine Corps



LINEAGE OF

MARINE ATTACK SQUADRON 223

1942 – 1952

ACTIVATED 1 MAY 1942 AT EWA, TERRITORY OF HAWAII, AS MARINE FIGHTING SQUADRON 223 AND ASSIGNED TO MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 23, 2D MARINE AIRCRAFT WING, FLEET MARINE FORCE

DEPLOYED DURING AUGUST 1942 TO GUADALCANAL AND REASSIGNED TO MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 23, 1ST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING, FLEET MARINE FORCE

PARTICIPATED IN THE FOLLOWING WORLD WAR II CAMPAIGNS

GUADALCANAL
BOUGAINVILLE
NORTHERN SOLOMONS
SOUTHERN PHILIPPINES
OKINAWA

PARTICIPATED IN THE OCCUPATION OF OKINAWA, JUNE 1945 – FEBRUARY 1946

RELOCATED DURING FEBRUARY 1946 TO SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA, AND REASSIGNED TO MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 33, MARINE AIR, WEST COAST

RELOCATED DURING MARCH 1946 TO EL TORO, CALIFORNIA

RELOCATED DURING JUNE 1948 TO CHERRY POINT, NORTH CAROLINA, AND REASSIGNED TO MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 14, 2D MARINE AIRCRAFT WING

REDESIGNATED 1 AUGUST 1948 AS MARINE FIGHTER SQUADRON 223 AND REASSIGNED TO MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 11, 2D MARINE AIRCRAFT WING

DEPLOYED FROM SEPTEMBER 1949 – JANUARY 1950 TO THE MEDITERRANEAN ON BOARD THE USS LEYTE

REASSIGNED DURING SEPTEMBER 1950 TO MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 14,
2D MARINE AIRCRAFT WING

1953 – 1964

REASSIGNED DURING JULY 1953 TO MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 11, 2D MARINE AIRCRAFT WING

DEPLOYED DURING SEPTEMBER 1953 TO ATSUGI, JAPAN, AND REASSIGNED TO MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 11, 1ST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING

RELOCATED DURING SEPTEMBER 1954 TO EL TORO, CALIFORNIA, AND REASSIGNED TO MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 15, AIR, FLEET MARINE FORCE, PACIFIC

REDESIGNATED 1 DECEMBER 1954 AS MARINE ATTACK SQUADRON 223

REASSIGNED DURING SEPTEMBER 1955 TO MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 15,
3D MARINE AIRCRAFT WING, AIR, FLEET MARINE FORCE, PACIFIC

DEPLOYED APRIL-NOVEMBER 1956 TO THE EASTERN PACIFIC ON BOARD THE USS WASP

DEPLOYED DURING APRIL 1963 TO IWAKUNI, JAPAN, AND REASSIGNED TO
MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 12, 1ST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING

RELOCATED DURING APRIL 1964 TO EL TORO, CALIFORNIA, AND REASSIGNED TO MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 15,
3D MARINE AIRCRAFT WING, AIR, FLEET MARINE FORCE, PACIFIC

1965 – 1971

DEPLOYED DURING SEPTEMBER 1965 TO IWAKUNI, JAPAN, AND REASSIGNED TO
MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 13, 1ST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING

REDEPLOYED DURING DECEMBER 1965 TO CHU LAI, REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM AND REASSIGNED TO
MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 12, 1ST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING

PARTICIPATED IN THE WAR IN VIETNAM, DECEMBER 1965 – DECEMBER 1966,
MARCH-DECEMBER 1967 AND APRIL 1968 – FEBRUARY 1970,
OPERATING FROM

CHU LAI

REDEPLOYED DURING DECEMBER 1966 – MARCH 1967 AND DECEMBER 1967 – APRIL 1968 TO IWAKUNI, JAPAN AND REASSIGNED TO
MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 15, 9TH MARINE AMPHIBIOUS BRIGADE

RELOCATED DURING FEBRUARY 1970 TO EL TORO, CALIFORNIA, AND REASSIGNED TO
MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 33, 3D MARINE AIRCRAFT WING

REASSIGNED DURING DECEMBER 1970 TO MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 13,
3D MARINE AIRCRAFT WING

1972 – 2015

RELOCATED DURING JUNE 1972 TO YUMA, ARIZONA, AND REASSIGNED TO
MARINE COMBAT READINESS TRAINING GROUP 10, 3D MARINE AIRCRAFT WING

RELOCATED DURING JULY-AUGUST 1976 TO IWAKUNI, JAPAN, AND REASSIGNED TO
MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 12, 1ST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING

RELOCATED DURING AUGUST 1977 TO CHERRY POINT, NORTH CAROLINA, AND REASSIGNED TO
MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 32, 2D MARINE AIRCRAFT WING, FLEET MARINE FORCE, ATLANTIC

REASSIGNED DURING APRIL 1993 TO MARINE AIRCRAFT GROUP 14

ELEMENTS PARTICIPATED IN OPERATIONS ON BALKAN PENINSULA DURING 1995

PARTICIPATED IN OPERATIONS SOUTHERN WATCH AND IRAQI FREEDOM, IRAQ,
FEBRUARY-MAY 2003 AND NOVEMBER 2005 – MARCH 2006

PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM, AFGHANISTAN,
OCTOBER 2011 – APRIL 2012

14 SEPTEMBER 2015

DATE


COMMANDANT OF THE MARINE CORPS

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AWARDED
MARINE ATTACK SQUADRON 223

PRESIDENTIAL UNIT CITATION STREAMER WITH THREE BRONZE STARS

WORLD WAR II
GUADALCANAL – 1942
OKINAWA – 1945

VIETNAM
1965 – 1967

IRAQ
2003

NAVY UNIT COMMENDATION STREAMER WITH THREE BRONZE STARS

VIETNAM
1965 – 1966
1967
1968 – 1969

IRAQ
2006 – 2007

ASIATIC-PACIFIC CAMPAIGN STREAMER WITH ONE SILVER STAR

WORLD WAR II VICTORY STREAMER

NAVY OCCUPATION SERVICE STREAMER WITH "ASIA" AND "EUROPE"

NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE STREAMER WITH THREE BRONZE STARS

KOREAN SERVICE STREAMER

VIETNAM SERVICE STREAMER WITH TWO SILVER STARS

PHILIPPINE LIBERATION STREAMER WITH ONE BRONZE STAR

AFGHANISTAN CAMPAIGN STREAMER WITH ONE BRONZE STAR

IRAQ CAMPAIGN STREAMER WITH ONE BRONZE STAR

GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM EXPEDITIONARY STREAMER

GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM SERVICE STREAMER

PHILIPPINE PRESIDENTIAL UNIT CITATION STREAMER

VIETNAM CROSS OF GALLANTRY WITH PALM STREAMER

VIETNAM MERITORIOUS UNIT CITATION CIVIL ACTIONS STREAMER

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