

# United States Marine Corps



## LINEAGE

OF

### MARINE AIR SUPPORT SQUADRON 3

1950 – 1965

ACTIVATED 3 AUGUST 1950 AT EL TORO, CALIFORNIA, AS  
MARINE TACTICAL AIR CONTROL SQUADRON 3, MARINE AIR CONTROL GROUP 2,  
1ST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING

MARINE AIR CONTROL GROUP 2, REASSIGNED 31 AUGUST 1950 TO  
AIR, FLEET MARINE FORCE, PACIFIC

REASSIGNED 28 MARCH 1951 TO MARINE AIR CONTROL GROUP 3,  
AIR, FLEET MARINE FORCE, PACIFIC

REDESIGNATED 15 FEBRUARY 1954 AS MARINE AIR SUPPORT SQUADRON 3

MARINE AIR CONTROL GROUP 3 REASSIGNED 15 SEPTEMBER 1955 TO  
3D MARINE AIRCRAFT WING

REASSIGNED 1 JANUARY 1956 TO MARINE WING HEADQUARTERS GROUP 3,  
3D MARINE AIRCRAFT WING

DEPLOYED TO THE CARIBBEAN DURING THE CUBAN MISSILE CRISIS, OCTOBER 1962

RELOCATED DURING DECEMBER 1962 TO EL TORO, CALIFORNIA

1966 – 2015

REASSIGNED 10 NOVEMBER 1966 TO MARINE HEADQUARTERS GROUP 1,  
1ST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING AND DEPLOYED TO THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM

PARTICIPATED IN THE WAR IN VIETNAM, NOVEMBER 1966 – JUNE 1971,  
OPERATING FROM

CHU LAI  
DA NANG

REASSIGNED 1 SEPTEMBER 1967 TO MARINE AIR CONTROL GROUP 18,  
1ST MARINE AIRCRAFT WING, FLEET MARINE FORCE, PACIFIC

RELOCATED DURING JUNE 1971 TO EL TORO, CALIFORNIA, AND ASSIGNED TO  
MARINE AIR CONTROL GROUP 38, 3D MARINE AIRCRAFT WING

RELOCATED DURING MAY 1980 TO CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA

PARTICIPATED IN OPERATIONS DESERT SHIELD AND DESERT STORM, SOUTHWEST ASIA,  
AUGUST 1990 – MARCH 1991

ELEMENTS PARTICIPATED IN OPERATIONS IN SOMALIA, DECEMBER 1992 – MARCH 1993

DEPLOYED IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM, KUWAIT, FEBRUARY 2003

PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, IRAQ, MARCH-MAY 2003,  
JULY 2004 – FEBRUARY 2005, JANUARY-AUGUST 2006 AND  
JANUARY 2008 – JANUARY 2009

ELEMENTS PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM, AFGHANISTAN,  
APRIL 2010 – APRIL 2011, FEBRUARY 2012 – FEBRUARY 2013 AND  
DECEMBER 2013 – NOVEMBER 2014

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## HONORS

AWARDED

### MARINE AIR SUPPORT SQUADRON 3

PRESIDENTIAL UNIT CITATION STREAMER WITH ONE BRONZE STAR

VIETNAM  
1966 – 1967

IRAQ  
2003

NAVY UNIT COMMENDATION STREAMER WITH FOUR BRONZE STARS

VIETNAM  
1967 – 1968

SOUTHWEST ASIA  
1990 – 1991

IRAQ  
2004 – 2005  
2006 – 2007  
2008 – 2009

MERITORIOUS UNIT COMMENDATION STREAMER WITH FOUR BRONZE STARS

VIETNAM  
1968 – 1971  
1971

1985 – 1987  
1988 – 1989  
1998 – 1999

NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE STREAMER WITH THREE BRONZE STARS  
ARMED FORCES EXPEDITIONARY STREAMER  
VIETNAM SERVICE STREAMER WITH TWO SILVER AND ONE BRONZE STAR  
SOUTHWEST ASIA SERVICE STREAMER WITH TWO BRONZE STARS  
AFGHANISTAN CAMPAIGN STREAMER WITH ONE BRONZE STAR  
IRAQ CAMPAIGN STREAMER WITH FOUR BRONZE STARS  
GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM EXPEDITIONARY STREAMER  
GLOBAL WAR ON TERRORISM SERVICE STREAMER  
VIETNAM CROSS OF GALLANTRY WITH PALM STREAMER  
VIETNAM MERITORIOUS UNIT CITATION CIVIL ACTIONS STREAMER

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