



LINEAGE

OF

3D ASSAULT AMPHIBIAN BATTALION

1942 – 1946

ACTIVATED 16 SEPTEMBER 1942 AT SAN DIEGO, CALIFORNIA, AS THE 3D AMPHIBIAN TRACTOR BATTALION
AND ASSIGNED TO THE 3D MARINE DIVISION

RELOCATED DURING DECEMBER 1942 TO CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA

DEPLOYED DURING FEBRUARY-MARCH 1943 TO AUCKLAND, NEW ZEALAND

PARTICIPATED IN THE FOLLOWING WORLD WAR II CAMPAIGNS

BOUGAINVILLE
GUAM
IWO JIMA

REDEPLOYED DURING MARCH 1945 TO MAUI, TERRITORY OF HAWAII

RELOCATED DURING FEBRUARY 1946 TO CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA

DEACTIVATED 1 MAY 1946

1952 – 1975

REACTIVATED 1 APRIL 1952 AT CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA, AND ASSIGNED TO
FLEET MARINE FORCE, PACIFIC

REASSIGNED DURING OCTOBER 1955 TO THE 1ST MARINE DIVISION

ELEMENT PARTICIPATED IN THE CUBAN MISSILE CRISIS, OCTOBER-DECEMBER 1962

DEPLOYED DURING FEBRUARY 1966 TO CAMP SCHWAB, OKINAWA

REDEPLOYED DURING MARCH 1966 TO THE REPUBLIC OF VIETNAM

PARTICIPATED IN THE WAR IN VIETNAM, MARCH 1966 – JANUARY 1970, OPERATING FROM

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DA NANG
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RELOCATED DURING FEBRUARY 1970 TO CAMP PENDLETON, CALIFORNIA, AND REASSIGNED
TO THE 5TH MARINE EXPEDITIONARY BRIGADE

REASSIGNED DURING AUGUST 1970 TO THE 5TH MARINE AMPHIBIOUS BRIGADE

REASSIGNED DURING APRIL 1971 TO THE 1ST MARINE DIVISION

1976 – 2004

REDESIGNATED 30 DECEMBER 1976 AS 3D ASSAULT AMPHIBIAN BATTALION

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

PARTICIPATED IN OPERATIONS IN SOMALIA, DECEMBER 1992 – APRIL 1993 AND JANUARY-MARCH 1995

DEPLOYED DURING JANUARY 2003 TO KUWAIT IN SUPPORT OF OPERATION ENDURING FREEDOM

PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, IRAQ, MARCH-MAY 2003

ELEMENTS PARTICIPATED IN OPERATION IRAQI FREEDOM, IRAQ, MARCH-OCTOBER 2004

26 MAY 2005

DATE


COMMANDANT OF THE MARINE CORPS

United States Marine Corps



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AWARDED

3D ASSAULT AMPHIBIAN BATTALION

PRESIDENTIAL UNIT CITATION STREAMER WITH THREE BRONZE STARS

WORLD WAR II
IWO JIMA - 1945

VIETNAM
1966 - 1967
1968

IRAQ
2003

JOINT MERITORIOUS UNIT AWARD STREAMER

SOMALIA
1992 - 1993

NAVY UNIT COMMENDATION STREAMER

SOUTHWEST ASIA
1990 - 1991

MERITORIOUS UNIT COMMENDATION STREAMER WITH ONE BRONZE STAR

VIETNAM
1967 - 1968

1983 - 1985

ASIATIC-PACIFIC CAMPAIGN STREAMER WITH FOUR BRONZE STARS

WORLD WAR II VICTORY STREAMER

NATIONAL DEFENSE SERVICE STREAMER WITH THREE BRONZE STARS

ARMED FORCES EXPEDITIONARY STREAMER

VIETNAM SERVICE STREAMER WITH TWO SILVER STARS

SOUTHWEST ASIA SERVICE STREAMER WITH TWO 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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M. W. Hayer
COMMANDANT OF THE MARINE CORPS