

DEPARTMENT OF THE ARMY Lineage and Honors

303d CAVALRY REGIMENT

Constituted 14 August 1940 in the Washington National Guard as the 103d Antitank Battalion

Organized and Federally recognized 30 September 1940 from new and existing units with Headquarters at Tacoma

Inducted into Federal service 10 February 1941 at home stations

Converted and redesignated 24 July 1941 as the 103d Infantry Battalion, Antitank

Converted and redesignated 15 December 1941 as the 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion

Inactivated 1 December 1945 at Camp Kilmer, New Jersey

Redesignated 13 September 1946 as the 803d Tank Battalion

Reorganized and Federally recognized 18 March 1947 with Headquarters at Centralia

Reorganized and redesignated 1 February 1949 as the 803d Heavy Tank Battalion and assigned to the 41st Infantry Division

Redesignated 1 September 1950 as the 803d Tank Battalion

Reorganized and redesignated 15 April 1959 as the 303d Armor, a parent regiment under the Combat Arms Regimental System, to consist of the 1st Tank Battalion, an element of the 41st Infantry Division

Reorganized 1 April 1960 to consist of the 1st Medium Tank Battalion, an element of the 41st Infantry Division

Reorganized 1 March 1963 to consist of the 1st Battalion (Washington Army National Guard) and the 2d Battalion (Oregon Army National Guard), elements of the 41st Infantry Division

303d CAVALRY REGIMENT

Reorganized 1 January 1968 in the Washington Army National Guard to consist of the 1st Battalion, an element of the 81st Infantry Brigade

Withdrawn 1 June 1989 from the Combat Arms Regimental System and reorganized under the United States Army Regimental System

Consolidated 15 April -1 September 1993 with the 803d Armor (organized 1 January 1974 in the Washington Army National Guard) and consolidated unit designated as the 303d Armor to consist of the 1st Battalion, an element of the 81st Infantry Brigade

(81st Infantry Brigade reorganized and redesignated 1 April 2003 as the 81st Armored Brigade)

Ordered into active Federal service 15 November 2003 at Yakima; released from active Federal service 12 May 2005 and reverted to state control

Consolidated 1 September 2005 with the 303d Cavalry (see ANNEX), and consolidated unit designated as the 303d Cavalry, a parent regiment under the United States Army Regimental System, to consist of the 1st Squadron, an element of the 81st Armored Brigade Combat Team

Redesignated 1 October 2005 as the 303d Cavalry Regiment

Ordered into active Federal service 16 August 2008 at home stations; released from active Federal service 19 September 2009 and reverted to state control

Location of Headquarters changed 1 September 2016 to Vancouver

Location of Headquarters changed 1 October 2021 to Centralia

ANNEX

Constituted 1 January 1968 in the Washington Army National Guard as the 303d Cavalry, a parent regiment under the Combat Arms Regimental System, to consist of Troop E, an element of the 81st Infantry Brigade

Withdrawn 1 June 1989 from the Combat Arms Regimental System and reorganized under the United States Army Regimental System

Ordered into active Federal service 15 November 2003 at Puyallup; released from active Federal service 13 May 2005 and reverted to state control

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CAMPAIGN PARTICIPATION CREDIT

World War II Normandy Northern France Rhineland Ardennes-Alsace Central Europe

War on Terrorism Global War on Terrorism Iraq: Transition of Iraq Iraqi Governance Iraqi Surge Iraqi Sovereignty

Troop A (Tacoma City Troop – Puyallup), 1st Squadron, additionally entitled to:

World War I Streamer without inscription

Troop B (Pasco), 1st Squadron, additionally entitled to:

World War II Guadalcanal Luzon New Guinea Northern Solomons Southern Philippines

Troop C (Centralia), 1st Squadron, additionally entitled to:

War on Terrorism Afghanistan: Consolidation III

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DECORATIONS

Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered IRAQ 2004 (earned by the 1st Battalion, 303d Armor)

Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered SOUTHWEST ASIA 2019-2020 (earned by 1st Squadron, 303d Cavalry)

Troop A (Tacoma City Troop), 1st Squadron, additionally entitled to:

Presidential Unit Citation (Army), Streamer embroidered HURTGEN FOREST (earned by Company C, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion)

Belgian Fourragere 1940 (earned by Company C, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion)

Cited in the Order of the Day of the Belgian Army for action in Belgium (earned by Company C, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion)

Cited in the Order of the Day of the Belgian Army for action at the Meuse River (earned by Company C, 803d Tank Destroyer Battalion)

Troop B (Pasco), 1st Squadron, additionally entitled to:

Meritorious Unit Commendation (Army), Streamer embroidered PACIFIC THEATER (earned by the 41st Quartermaster Company)

Philippine Presidential Unit Citation, Streamer embroidered 17 OCTOBER 1944 TO 4 JULY 1945 (earned by the 41st Quartermaster Company and Company F, 161st Infantry)

Troop C (Centralia), 1st Squadron, additionally entitled to:

Meritorious Unit Commendation, Streamer embroidered AFGHANISTAN 2010 (earned by the 204th Engineer Company)

BY ORDER OF THE SECRETARY OF THE ARMY:

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