

303rd Bombardment Group (H)
GROUP AND SQUADRON COMMANDERS
compiled by Harry D. Gobrecht

GROUP COMMANDERS

Group Commanding Officers

LtCol Ford J. Lauer	03 Feb 42
LtCol John R. Sutherland	03 Feb 42
Col Ford J. Lauer	17 Feb 42
Col Warren E. Higgins	29 May 42
LtCol John R. Sutherland	06 Jun 42
Col James H. Wallace	13 Jul 42
LtCol Charles E. Marion (A)	23 Jan 43
Col James H. Wallace	01 Feb 43
LtCol Charles E. Marion (A)	13 Feb 43
LtCol George L. Robinson (A)	03 Apr 43
Col Charles E. Marion	28 May 43
Col Kermit D. Stevens	05 Aug 43
LtCol Lewis E. Lyle (A)	01 Sep 44
LtCol Richard H. Cole (A)	11 Oct 44
Col William S. Raper (Radar)	29 Oct 44
Col William C. Sipes, Jr.	19 Apr 45
Capt Bernard Thompson	11 Jun 45



LtCol Ford J. Lauer



Maj Charles E. Marion

Deputy Group Commanding Officers

LtCol Charles E. Marion	01 Mar 42
LtCol George L. Robinson	13 Feb 43
LtCol Lewis E. Lyle	20 Jun 43
LtCol Edgar E. Snyder	01 Nov 44
LtCol John R. Martin	11 Jun 45



Maj George L. Robinson

Group Executive Officers

LtCol John R. Sutherland	03 Feb 42
LtCol Wesley A. Bethel	16 Dec 42
LtCol Frank J. Doherty	16 Dec 44
Major Ronald M. Cowan	22 May 45

Group Operations Officers

LtCol George L. Robinson	03 Feb 42
LtCol Eugene A. Romig	06 Mar 43
Major Glynn F. Shumake	Aug 43
Major Louis "Mel" Schulstad, Jr.	25 Jan 45
Major Robert J. Hullar	08 May 45



LtCol Kermit D. Stevens

SQUADRON COMMANDERS

358th Bombardment Squadron

Capt Aquilla Hughes, Jr.	03 Feb 42
Major Clemens Z. Wurzbach	26 Jul 42
Major Kirk R. Mitchell	21 Apr 43
Major George T. Makin	30 Mar 44
Major Glynn F. Shumake	25 Jan 45
Capt Willard H. Bergeron (A)	30 Mar 45
Major Robert M. Nye	08 Apr 45



*Col Lewis E. Lyle
by C H Schula*

359th Bombardment Squadron

Capt Joseph A. Thomas	03 Feb 42
1stLt William A. Delehay	18 May 42
Major Eugene A. Romig	01 Jul 42
LtCol William R. Calhoun, Jr.	06 Mar 43
LtCol Richard H. Cole	23 Nov 43



LtCol Richard H. Cole

360th Bombardment Squadron

Capt Charles A. Leidy	03 Feb 42
Capt Charles E. Marion	Jun 42
Capt Hewitt T. Wheless	Jun 42
1stLt Jean A. Jack	14 Jun 42
Major Richard D. Callaway	26 Jul 42
LtCol Lewis E. Lyle	01 Jan 43
LtCol Walter K. Shayler	6 Aug 43
Major John J. Casello	10 Jul 44
LtCol Walter K. Shayler	17 Sep 44
Major William C. Heller	05 Feb 45



*LtCol William S. Raper
(later changed his name to Rader)*

427th Bombardment Squadron

Major Charles C. Sheridan	03 Feb 42
Major Glenn E. Hagenbuch	03 Jan 43
LtCol Edgar E. Snyder, Jr.	11 Jul 43
Major Robert W. Sheets	01 Nov 44

(A) Acting Commanding Officer during
absence of regular Commanding Officer

(Note: Photos of most of the Commanders are included with our Crew Photos
and in Lead Crew Photos.)