

**US Central Philippine Attack Force
20 October 1944**

Commanding Officer: Vice Admiral T.C.Kinkaid

Task Force 77: Vice Admiral Kinkaid

Flagship Group 77.1:

USS Wasatch (AGC)

USS Ammen (DD)

USS Mullany (DD)

Cruiser Unit: Captain C.E.Coney

USS Nashville (CL43)

USS Abner Read (DD526)

USS Bush (DD529)

Commander Support Aircraft: Captain R.F.Whitehead
organization unknown

BOMBARDMENT AND FIRE SUPPORT GROUP, TG77.2 Rear Admiral
J.B.Oldendorf

Fire Support Unit North, 77.2.1: Rear Admiral Weyler

Battleship Division 3:

USS Mississippi (BB41)

Battleship Division 4: Rear Admiral T.Ruddock

USS Maryland (BB46)

USS West Virginia (BB32)

Division X-Ray:

USS Aulick (DD698)

USS Cony (DD508)

USS Sigourney (DD643)

Fire Support Unit South, 77.2.2: Rear Admiral J.B.Oldendorf

Battleship Division 2: Rear Admiral T.E.Chandler

USS Tennessee (BB43)

USS Pennsylvania (BB38)

USS California (BB44)

Cruiser Division 4: Rear Admiral Oldendorf

USS Louisville (CA28)

USS Minneapolis (CA36)

USS Portland (CA33)

Cruiser Division 9: Rear Admiral W.L.Ainsworth

USS Honolulu (CL48)

Cruiser Division 12: Rear Admiral R.W.Hayler

USS Columbia (CL56)

USS Denver (CL58)

Destroyer Squadron: Captain R.N.Smoot

USS A.W.Grant (DD649)

USS Bryant (DD665)

USS Bennion (DD662)

USS Halford (DD480)

USS Heywood L.Edwards (DD663)

USS Leutze (DD481)

USS Newcomb (DD586)

USS Richard P.Leary (DD664)

USS Robinson (DD562)

USS Ross (DD563)

Division X-Ray:
 USS Claxton (DD571)
 USS Thorn (DD647)
 USS Wells (DD628)
 USS San Carlos (AVP)

Close Covering Group: Rear Admiral R.S.Berkey
 Cruiser Division 15:
 USS Phoenix (CL46)
 USS Boise (CL47)

RAN Cruiser Squadron: Commodore J.A.Collins, RAN
 HMAS Australia (CA)
 HMAS Shropshire (CA)

Destroyer Division 47: Captain K.M.McManes
 USS Bache (DD470)
 USS Beale (DD471)
 USS Hutchins (DD476)
 USS Daly (DD519)
 USS Killen (DD593)
 HMAS Arunta (DD)
 HMAS Warramunga (DD)

Escort Carrier Group TG77.4: Rear Admiral T.LK.Sprague
 Panon Carrier Group, CTU 77.4.1: Rear Admiral T.LK.Sprague
 Carrier Division 22: Rear Admiral T.LK.Sprague
 USS Sangamon (CVE21)
 USS Suwanee (CVE22)
 USS Chenango (CVE23)
 USS Santee (CVE24)

Carrier Division 28: Rear Admiral G.R.Henderson
 USS Petrof Bay (CVE80)
 USS Saginaw Bay (CVE82)

Destroyer Squadron 47: Captain I.H.Nunn
 USS McCord (DD534)
 USS Trathen (DD530)
 USS Hazelwood (DD531)

Escort Division 63: CDR J.V.Bewick
 USS Coolbaugh (DE217)
 USS Eversole (DE404)
 USS Edmonds (DE406)
 USS R.S.Bull (DE402)
 USS R.M.Rowell (DE403)

Southern Carrier Group, CTU 77.4.2: Rear Admiral F.G.Stump
 Carrier Division 24: Rear Admiral Stump
 USS Manila Bay (CVE61)
 USS Natoma Bay (CVE62)

Carrier Division 27: Rear Admiral W.D.Sample
 USS Kadashan Bay (CVE76)
 USS Marcus Island (CVE77)
 USS Savo Island (CVE78)
 USS Ommany Bay (CVE79)

Destroyer Squadron 47:
 USS Franks (DD554)
 USS Haggard (DD555)
 USS Hailey (DD556)

Escort Division 69: CDR J.C.Phiifer
 USS Abercrombie (DE343)

USS LeRay Wilson (DE414)
USS Oberrender (DE344)
USS R.W.Susens (DE342)
USS W.C.Wann (DE412)
Northern Carrier Group, CTU 77.4.3: Rear Admiral C.A.F.Sprague
Carrier Division 25: Rear Admiral C.A.F.Sprague
USS White Plains (CVE66)
USS Fanshaw (CVE70)
USS Saint Lo (CVE)
USS Kalinin Bay (CVE68)
Carrier Division 26: Rear Admiral R.A.Ofstie
USS Gambier Bay (CVE73)
USS Kitkum Bay (CVE71)
Destroyer Squadron 47:
USS Hoel (DD533)
USS Heerman (DD532)
USS Johnston (DD557)
USS Dennis (DE504)
USS S.B.Roberts (DE413)
USS J.C.Butler (DE339)
USS Raymond (DE341)
Minesweeping and Hydrographic Group, TG 77.5: CDR W.R.Loud
Minesweeper, CTRU 77.5.1;: CDR. W.R.Loud
USS Breese (DMS18)
USS Chandler (DMS9)
USS Hovey (DMS11)
USS Hamilton (DMS18)
USS Howard (DMS7)
USS Long (DMS12)
USS Palmer (DMS5)
USS Preble (DMS20)
USS Southard (DMS10)
USS Chickasaw (ATF)
USS Sands (APD)
Sweep Unit 2
USS Zeal (AM)
USS Token (AM)
USS Tumult (AM)
USS Velocity (AM)
USS Scout (AM)
Sweep Unit 3:
USS Requisite (AM)
USS Pursuit (AM)
USS Revenge (AM)
USS Sage (AM)
USS Sentry (AM)
Sweep Unit Four:
YMS 1
YMS 81
YMS 140
YMS 219
YMS 319
Sweep Unit Five:
YMS 238

YMS 243
YMS 286
YMS 293
YMS 335
YMS 398

Sweep Unit Six:

YMS 6
YMS 39
YMS 49
YMS 52
YMS 340
YMS 342

Sweep Unit Seven:

YMS 70
YMS 71
YMS 73
YMS 314
YMS 341

Sweep Unit Eight:

4 LCPRs

Hydrographic Unit:

HMS Gascoyne
YMS 316
YMS 393
HMAL 1074

Beach Demolition Division:

Transport Division 12:

USS Manley (APD)
USS Talbot (APD)
USS Goldsborough (APD)
USS Kane (APD)

Transport Division 14

USS Brooks (APD)
USS Belknap (APD)
USS Overton (APD)
USS Humphreys (APD)

Transport Division:

USS Rathburne (APD)
USS Badger (APD)
USS Clemson (APD)
UDT 3
UDT 4
UDT 5
UDT 6
UDT 8
UDT 9
UDT 10

Beach Service Group, TG 77.6: Rear Admiral R.O.Glover

Leyte Gulf Unit:

USS Ashtabula (AO)
USS Saranac (AO)
USS Chepachet (AO)
USS Suamico (AO)
USS Kishwaukee (AO)
USS Salamonte (AO)

USS Mazama (AE)
SS Durham Victory (ammunition ship)
USS Bowers (DE637)
USS Lovelace (DD198)
USS Manning (DE199)
USS Witter (DE636)
USS Willmarth (DE638)
USS Whitehurst (DE634)

Kossol Roads (Palau) Unit

SS Merham Victory (ammunition)
SS Bluefield Victory (ammunition)
SS Iran Victory (ammunition)
SS Pueblo (overseas tanker)
SS W.C.Yeager (overseas tanker)
USS Neuendorf (DE200)
USS Thomason (DE102)

Other

USS Arethusa (IX)
USS Caribou (IX)
USS Mine (IX)
USS Panda (IX)
USS Indus (AKN)
USS Teak (AN)
USS Satinleaf (AN)
USS Silver Bell (AN)
USS Cable (ARS)
USS Achilles (ARL)
USS Murzim (AK)

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