## **118 CIVIL ENGINEER SQUADRON**

## MISSION

LINEAGE 118 Civil Engineering Squadron 118 Civil Engineer Squadron

**STATIONS** Nashville, TN

ASSIGNMENTS 118 Mission Support Group

**COMMANDERS** LTC Clarence Suiter, 26 Mar 1971 LTC Harold B. Leonard LTC Robert O. Johnson, #1986

## HONORS Service Streamers

**Campaign Streamers** 

**Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers** 

Decorations

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**EMBLEM SIGNIFICANCE** 

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## **OPERATIONS**

The 118 Civil Engineering Flight set a record during its two weeks of annual training at Eglin

AFB and Hurlburt Field, Florida. Under combat conditions in the field, the flight spent four days participating in Base Engineer Emergency Forces (or Prime BEEF) training at Eglin. For their efforts, unit members received a rating of high superior in both leadership and security, and a letter of appreciation was later received from the base commander. During the stay at Hurlbert, flight members took part in several special projects, notably the construction of a 20-foot by 30-foot permanent building. Also, about 80 three-by-iive foot concrete pads were poured on the field ramp. With such an array of tangible evidence of their two weeks of toil, Lt Col Connell Horn, 118 TAW Materiel Director, reported: "Morale was never higher, and the entire operation was performed with no major problems."

The 118 CEF at Nashville again received practical experience during annual field training by working on construction and maintenance July 1972, the flight worked with the 200 CE "Red Horse" Squadron at Port Clinton. Ohio.

The 118 CEF in Nashville performed annual field training at Tucson AZ, from 13 Oct to 28 Oct 1973, hosted by the 162 CEFLT.

Some 60 personnel of the 118 CE Flight participated in a four day Prime Beef Mobility/Evaluation Exercise beginning 3 May at Tyndall AFB FL. Under the command of Capt Kent Morton, the team was selected as a pilot unit to undergo testing of mobility equipment. The team constructed a heliport, a runway and lighting facilities, and a revetment

The 118 Civil Engineering Flight deployed to Peterson AFB CO for annual training on 22 July 1978 aboard two C-130s. Total force included four officers and sixty-eight enlisted men. Projects ranged from electrical wiring to assistance in base CE shops.

A field training exercise was conducted at Arnold Engineering Development Center, Tullahoma TN on 13-14 Oct 79. The 118 CEF assisted the Army National Guard in projects that included roadway maintenance and weapons range construction.

During the week of 18- 19 October 1980, 68 members of the 118 Civil Engineering Flight deployed to the National Guard Site near Tullahoma, Tennessee for Field Training. This practical exercise gave the flight some hand-on expertise in field construction as required under the Prime BEEF Program.

On 17-18 October 1981,118 CEF traveled to AEDC, Tullahoma TN for Annual Bivouac. Approximately 75 people deployed and accomplished several projects at the facility.

From 11-25 July 1982, half of the 118 Civil Engineering Flight performed annual active duty training at Berry Field.

The entire 118 Civil Engineering Flight performed bivouac at AEDC, Tullahoma TN during the October 1982 UTA, M-16 qualification training was conducted for approximately 85 personnel as were other areas of Prime BEEF Training.

The 118 Civil Engineering Flight, Prime BEEF Team performed summer camp at Upper Heyford, United Kingdom during the period 22 July-5 August 1983. Several heavy equipment projects were accomplished.

From 28 April through 12 May 1984, the 118 Civil Engineering Flight performed annual active duty training at Savannah Permanent Field Training Station, Georgia.

118 Civil Engineers began construction on 19 July 1984 for the fuel cell repair dock.

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