

176th MAINTENANCE SQUADRON



LINEAGE

STATIONS

Kulis ANGB, Anchorage, AK
Elmendorf AFB, AK

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

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On a disc Azure, an Alaskan aboriginal style raven/salmon naiant embowed Sable and Gules, eyed Argent, beneath a mullet Or, all within a narrow border Yellow. Attached above the disc, a White scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "ALASKA AIR NATIONAL GUARD" in Yellow letters. Attached below the disc, a White scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "176TH MAINTENANCE SQ" in Yellow letters. Ultramarine blue and Air Force yellow are the Air Force colors. Blue alludes to the sky, the primary theater of Air Force operations. Yellow refers to the sun and the excellence required of Air Force personnel. The star signifies the North Star and represents the Squadron's home in the Last Frontier. The raven/salmon design is rendered in the artistic style of the native people of Southeast Alaska. Details within the raven/salmon consist of the eye of an owl and within the tail, the claws of a wolf. These elements pay homage to the Wing's flying squadrons. The raven is symbolic of honor, dignity and wisdom. The salmon overcomes seemingly insurmountable obstacles to reach

its destination and is a primary source of sustenance. The Squadron embraces the qualities of the raven and, like the salmon, perseveres in all environments and conditions to provide aircraft to serve the Nation and State.

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OPERATIONS

In 1977 Alaska Air National Guard kicked off one of its largest construction projects ever. More than \$3 million was invested in a new composite maintenance building, an aerospace ground equipment support building and a new petroleum operations facility on Kulis.

Approximately 125 Alaska Guardsmen from the 176th Wing's 144th Airlift Squadron, 176th Maintenance Squadron and 176th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron were deployed to Bagram Air Base, Afghanistan, for 90 days in support of Operation Enduring Freedom. Operating C-130 tactical airlift airplanes, these men and women supported U.S. efforts throughout the region with intratheater airlift and airdrops of men, supplies and equipment. Working in austere environments, these Alaska Guardsmen helped save lives by delivering the necessary resources and equipment to our Soldiers on the ground. 2011

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