

## **423<sup>rd</sup> FORCE SUPPORT SQUADRON**



### **MISSION**

#### **LINEAGE**

423<sup>rd</sup> Base Headquarters and Air Base Squadron (Reduced) constituted, 22 May 1942

Activated, 1 Oct 1942

Disbanded, 10 Apr 1944

Reconstituted and redesignated 423<sup>rd</sup> Services Squadron, 31 Jul 1985

Activated, 12 May 2005

Redesignated 423<sup>rd</sup> Force Support Squadron 15 Jan 2011

#### **STATIONS**

Langley Field, VA, 1 Oct 1942

Bluethenthall Field, Wilmington, NC, 23 Nov 1942-10 Apr 1944

RAF Alconbury, England, 12 May 2005

#### **ASSIGNMENTS**

First Air Force, 1 Oct 1942

Air Service Command, 16 Jan 1943

First Air Force, 17 Mar 1943-10 Apr 1944

423<sup>rd</sup> Air Base Group, 12 May 2005

#### **COMMANDERS**

#### **HONORS**

##### **Service Streamers**

World War II

American Theater

### **Campaign Streamers**

None

### **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

None

### **Decorations**

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award

1 Jan 2006-31 Dec 2007

### **EMBLEM**



423<sup>rd</sup> Services Squadron emblem: On a disc Celeste, a triangle Azure fimbriated Or and Gules bearing a torch Argent (Silver Gray) enflamed of the third, all within a narrow border Blue. Attached above the disc, a White scroll edged with a narrow Blue border and inscribed "EXPECT THE BEST" in Blue letters. Attached below the disc, a White scroll edged with a narrow Blue border and inscribed "423D SERVICES SQ" in Blue letters. **SIGNIFICANCE:** 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 triangle depicts strength and the Squadron's ability to coordinate changing needs. The torch represents excellence and captures the attributes of vigilance, spirit, and camaraderie that are at the center of the service's mission. (Approved, 25 Jan 2007)

### **MOTTO**

### **NICKNAME**

### **OPERATIONS**

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Air Force Order of Battle

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#### Sources

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