468 ATTACK SQUADRON

MISSION

LINEAGE

468 Squadron (Attack) constituted, 15 Oct 1921 Redesignated 468 Attack Squadron, 25 Jan 1923

56 Aero Squadron (Construction) organized, Aug 1917 Redesignated 468 Aero Squadron (Construction), Feb 1918 Demobilized, Jul 1919 Reconstituted, 3 Dec 1936

468 Attack Squadron and 468 Aero Squadron (Construction) consolidated, 3 Dec 1936 Consolidated organization retained 468 Attack Squadron designation.

Disbanded, 31 May 1942

STATIONS

Kelly Field, Texas Mitchel Field, New York Not initiated 1921-1922 Municipal Airport, Chicago, Illinois, 1922-1941

ASSIGNMENTS

319 Attack Group 309 Attack Group, 1 Oct 1933

COMMANDERS

Cpt Benjamin F. McAuley, 4 May 1922 Unknown, Jul 1922 1st Lt Owen S. Birdsall, Jun 1924 Unknown, Jul 1924 Maj Michael G. Harbula, 27 Feb 1936 Unknown, Sep 1939-7 Dec 1941

HONORS
Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

MOTTO

OPERATIONS

Constituted in the Organized Reserve on 15 October 1921 as the 468th Squadron (Attack), assigned to the 319th Attack Group (GHQR), and allotted to the Sixth Corps Area. Initiated on 4 May 1922 at the Municipal Airport, Chicago, IL. Redesignated as the 468th Attack Squadron on 25 January 1923. Relieved from assignment to the 319th Attack Group (GHQR) on 1 October 1933 and assigned to the 309th Attack Group (GHQR). Consolidated on 3 December 1936 with the 468th Aero Squadron (Construction) (a WWI unit organized in August 1917 as the 56th Aero Squadron [Construction] at Kelly Field, TX; redesignated as the 468th Aero Squadron [Construction] in February 1918; demobilized in July 1919 at Mitchel Field, NY; reconstituted on 3 December 1936). Typically conducted Inactive Training Period meetings at the Municipal Airport in Chicago. Conducted summer training at Selfridge Field, MI, and some years at Scott Field, IL. Designated mobilization station was Chanute Field, IL.

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