# **19th MUNITIONS SQUADRON**



#### MISSION

#### LINEAGE

19<sup>th</sup> Aviation Field Depot Squadron constituted, 11 Mar 1953 Activated, 8 Jun 1953 Inactivated, 18 Nov 1953 Redesignated 19<sup>th</sup> Aviation Depot Squadron, 14 Jan 1959 Activated, 1 Feb 1959 Inactivated, 1 Sep 1959 Redesignated 19<sup>th</sup> Munitions Maintenance Squadron, and activated, 9 Jul 1968 Organized, 25 Jul 1968 Inactivated, 1 Oct 1983 Redesignated 19<sup>th</sup> Munitions Squadron, 28 May 2009 Activated, 1 Oct 2009

### **STATIONS**

Sandia Base, NM, 8 Jun-18 Nov 1953 RAF Mildenhall, England. 1 Feb-1 Sep 1959 Robins AFB, GA, 25 Jul 1968-1 Oct 1983 Whiteman AFB, MO, 1 Oct 2009

## ASSIGNMENTS

1090<sup>th</sup> USAF Special Reporting Group, 8 Jun-18 Nov 1953 3913<sup>th</sup> Combat Support Group, 1 Feb-1 Sep 1959 19<sup>th</sup> Bombardment Wing, 25 Jul 1968-1 Oct 19834 98<sup>th</sup> Munitions Maintenance Group, 1 Oct 2009

# **COMMANDERS**

HONORS Service Streamers None

Campaign Streamers None

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers None

# Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards 1 Jul 1976-30 Jun 1978 1 Jul 1981-30 Jun 1982 1 Jul 1982-1 Oct 1983

## EMBLEM



On a disc Azure, between ten mullets, six arced in dexter chief and four arced in sinister base Argent, a bomb descending bend sinisterwise of the like, marked as a shark, eyed and langued Gules, armed of the second, surmounted by a knight in armor Sable, plume Or, grasping in sinister gauntlet a wrench of the second, overall a shield blazoned: Or, an atomic symbol Gules, a bordure of the like, all within a narrow bordure Red. Attached above the disc, a White scroll edged with a narrow Red border and inscribed "KNIGHT'S MIGHT" in Red letters. Attached below

the disc, a White scroll edged with a narrow Red border and inscribed "19TH MUNITIONS SQUADRON" in Red 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 knight symbolizes unwavering strength and loyalty to the mission as executed with purpose and firmness of mind. The atomic symbol represents the warrior in the performance of the nuclear mission. The bomb signifies one who has dared the terror of such a weapon in battle. The shield alludes to the defender of the nation's freedom through nuclear deterrence. The wrench is for honor associated with skills possessed by few. The ten stars represent a level of excellence and signify the perfection of order. It implies nothing is wanting, that the number and order are perfect and the cycle complete. (Approved, 29 Jun 1977)

# ΜΟΤΤΟ

# NICKNAME

# **OPERATIONS**

Fission and Fusion: As part of the Air Force's organizational moves to bolster oversight of its nuclear weapons, the service formally relocated on Oct. 25 the 498th Munitions Maintenance Group, along with its new subordinate unit, the 19th Munitions Squadron, from Kirtland AFB, N.M., to Whiteman AFB. Mo. "Our nuclear arsenal is the ultimate backstop of our nation's strategic defense and these units ensure Whiteman is prepared and ready for this responsibility," said Gen. William Fraser, Air Combat Command boss. With the change, the 498th MUMG still retains command of the 898th Munitions Squadron and 708th Nuclear Sustainment Squadron at Kirtland. And the group remains subordinate to the 498th Nuclear Systems Wing at Kirtland, which reports directly to the Air Force Nuclear Weapons Center, also at the New Mexico base, where it oversees the sustainment of Air Force nuclear weapons and support equipment in the continental US.

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