48th AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE

48th Organizational Maintenance Squadron constituted and activated, 14 May 1964 Organized, 1 Jul 1964 Discontinued and inactivated, 1 Jan 1966 Activated, 1 Feb 1972 Redesignated 48th Aircraft Generation Squadron, 31 Aug 1981 Inactivated, 31 Mar 1992 Redesignated 48th Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, 10 Jul 2002 Activated, 25 Sep 2002

STATIONS

RAF Lakenheath, England, 1 Jul 1964–1 Jan 1966; 1 Feb 1972–31 Mar 1992; 25 Sep 2002

ASSIGNMENTS

United States Air Forces in Europe, 14 May 1964 48th Tactical Fighter Wing, 1 Jul 1964–1 Jan 1966 48th Tactical Fighter (later, 48 Fighter) Wing, 1 Feb 1972–31 Mar 1992 48th Maintenance Group, 25 Sep 2002

COMMANDERS

Capt Gerald R. Larson, 1 Jul 1964 – 1 Jan 1966 Maj Norman H. Rushton, 1 Feb 1972 LTC Donald M. Kastilahn, 1 Sep 1972 LTC Robert M. Greene, 22 Jul 1974 LTC James C. Forrest, 31 Jul 1976 LTC Albert R. Schmidt, 11 Jul 1977 LTC Robert C. Carroll, 20 Jun 1980 LTC Robert A. Defee, III 18 Jun 1982 Maj John N. Edenfield, 11 Jun 1983 LTC Larry C. Souder, 1 Oct 1984 Maj John G. Griest, 18 Mar 1985 Maj Frank E. Pruissmann, 25 May 1986 LTC Daniel G. Joyce, 21 Sep 1987 Maj Walter W. Saeger, Jr., 20 Mar 1989 Maj Robert M. Ferrera, 18 Jul 1990 – 31 Mar 1992 LTC Stephen P. Sheehy, 25 Sep 2002 LTC Alvin Porter, 13 Jun 2003 LTC Matthew Kmon, 1 Jul 2004 Maj Keith Compton, 5 Jul 2006 Maj Matthew C. Finnegan, 18 Jan 2008

HONORS

Service Streamers None

Campaign Streamers None

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers None

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards: 14 Oct 1976 – 31 Dec 1977 1 Apr 1978 – 31 Mar 1980 1 Jul 1984 – 30 Jun 1986 1 Jul 1986 – 30 Jun 1988 1 Jul 1988 – 30 Jun 1990 20 Aug 1990 – 11 May 1991 1 Oct 2002 – 30 Sep 2004 1 Oct 2004 – 31 Oct 2005 1 Nov 2005 – 31 Dec 2006

EMBLEM



The emblem is symbolic of the unit, the Air Force, and the national colors. The color blue alludes to the sky, the primary theater of Air Force operations, and yellow to the sun and the excellence of personnel in assigned tasks. The hand is representative of Air Force personnel carrying the torch of freedom. The stars allude to the aerospace medium in which Air Force operations are carried out. The lightning bolt represents the striking power of the United States Air Force. (Approved, 14 Nov 1972)

ΜΟΤΤΟ

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

Air Force Order of Battle Created: 17 Nov 2010 Updated:

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