403 STRATEGIC WING



MISSION

Mission to organize and train a force capable of immediate and sustained long range offensive bombardment and air to air refueling operations in any part of the world.

LINEAGE

4039 Strategic Wing organized, 1 Aug 1958

STATIONS

Griffiss AFB, NY, 1 Aug 1958-1 Feb 1963

ASSIGNMENTS

WEAPON SYSTEMS

B-52, 1960-1963 KC-135

COMMANDERS

Col Roland Campbell, 27 May 1960 Col Robert G. David, 11 Jun 1962

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM



Light blue, above a demi-sphere abased or, gridlined azure, in dexter base a stylized bomber aircraft volant to sinister of the last emitting an arched vapor trail to sinister chief argent, terminating in a missile bendwise of the third; between two cloud formations, one in dexter chief and the other issuant from sinister base of the fourth, two stylized aircraft, volant to dexter fess of the third one and one, linked together by a refueling line of the fourth, all within a diminished border of the second. **SIGNIFICANCE:** The emblem is symbolic of the wing end its mission. The background of blue sky and clouds indicates the primary theater of operations, The two aircraft flying toward dexter or into battle represent refueling operations, the aircraft launching the missile represents the wing's bomber and missile capabilities, and all of this together above the world, indicates the global operations. The emblem tears the Air Force colors, ultramarine blue and golden yellow. (Approved, 12 May 1960)

MOTTO

OPERATIONS

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Sources

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