

88 FORCE SUPPORT SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE

88 Air Base Squadron (Special) constituted and activated, 1 Aug 1941

Redesignated 88 Base Headquarters and Air Base Squadron, 13 Jun 1942

Disbanded, 30 Apr 1944

Reconstituted and redesignated 88 Air Base Squadron, 3 Jan 1952

Activated, 1 Feb 1952

Inactivated, 16 Feb 1953

2750 Mission Support Squadron designated and activated, 10 Sep 1990

Redesignated 645 Mission Support Squadron, 1 Oct 1992

88 Air Base Squadron and 645 Mission Support Squadron consolidated, 16 Sep 1994

Consolidated squadron redesignated 88 Mission Support Squadron, 1 Oct 1994

Redesignated 88 Force Support Squadron, 25 Sep 2009

STATIONS

Bakersfield, CA, 1 Aug 1941

Lemoore, CA, 12 Dec 1941-30 Apr 1944

Youngstown Muni Aprt, OH, 1 Feb 1952-16 Feb 1953

Wright-Patterson AFB, OH, 10 Sep 1990

ASSIGNMENTS

87 Air Base Group, 1 Aug 1941

Army Air Forces West Coast Training Center (later, Army Air Forces Western Flying Training Command), 15 Dec 1942-30 Apr 1944

Eastern Air Defense Force, 1 Feb 1952
4708 Defense Wing, 6 Feb 1952-16 Feb 1953
2750 Air Base (later 645 Air Base) Wing, 10 Sep 1990
88 Support (later 88 Mission Support) Group, 1 Oct 1994

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

World War II American Theater

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

[10 Sep] 1990-31 Dec 1991

1 Jan-31 Dec 1995

1 Jan-31 Dec 2003

EMBLEM

On a disc Azure, on a pile Or three piles reversed chevronwise Argent, barbed with as many flight symbols at the points Gules, between a dexter cubit arm issuant from dexter and a sinister cubit arm issuant from sinister Proper, supporting in base the silhouette of a hum family of three male, child and female Sable, debriused by a mullet of the Second, all within a diminished bordure of the like. Attached above the disc, a White scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "88TH MISSION SUPPORT SQ" in Black letters. Attached below the disc, a White scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "MISSION FIRST PEOPLE ALWAYS" in Black 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 pile shape is symbolic of the support provided by the unit to the Air Force. The flight symbols allude to the unit's dedication to their mission. The two hands symbolize the unit's support of both the family and the Air Force. The star symbolizes the Squadron's unity with the Air Force in defending the peace. (Approved, 30 Aug 2000)

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OPERATIONS

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