31 WEATHER SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE

31 Weather Squadron constituted, 29 Aug 1945 Activated, 1 Oct 1945 Inactivated and activated, 20 May 1952

STATIONS

Hickam AFB, HI, 26 Mar 1948-20 May 1952 Landstuhl (Ramstein, Germany), 23 Jul 1953-15 Aug 1973 Rhein Main AB, Germany, 1 Oct 1975-1 Aug 1982 Sembach AB, Germany, 1 Aug 1982

ASSIGNMENTS

Weather Group
Weather Wing [AFCON], 31 Dec 1945
2058th Air Weather Wing, 20 May 1952
Weather Wing, 8 February 1954

COMMANDERS

Capt John F. Murphy, 1 Oct 1945 Maj Bernard Pusin, 27 Oct 1945 Maj W. B. Sherman, 1 Jan 1946 Capt Arthur Yorra, 2 Jan 1946 Capt Robert E. Heft, 27 Jun 1946

Capt William S. Nesley, 1 Mar 1947

Lt Col Norman E. King, 15 Oct 1947

Lt Col Wray B. Bartling, 1 Jun 1950

Lt Col Lawrence Cometh, 18 Oct 1951

Lt Col Jacob Follmer, 20 Mar 1952

Lt Col Clarence E. Roache, Jr., 17 Feb 1955

Lt Col Carl E. Wagner, May 1958

Lt Col Paul E. Mcanally, Dec 1960

Lt Col Paul X. Geary, 19 Jun 1962

Col Everett J. Cartwright, 20 Jul 1962

Col Douglas C. Purdy, Jul 1965

Col Lloyd C. Hughes, 1 Jul 1967

Col Joseph M. Tyndall, 1 Jun 1970

Col Robert S. Wood, 7 Jul 1971

Col Leon R. Tucker, 15 Aug 1973

Col Glenn B. Rumley, Jr., 4 Aug 1975

Lt Col Richard A. Brown, 1 Jul 1978

Lt Col Thomas O. Proffitt, 1 Dec 1980

Lt Col George L. Frederick, Jr., 20 Jul 1981

Lt Col Louis R. Billones, 2 Aug 1983

Lt Col Harry H. Hughes, 24 Jun 1985

Lt Col Robert J. Dumont, 30 Aug 1986

HONORS

Service Streamers

Asiatic Pacific Theater

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award

1 Jul 1968—31 Dec 1969

1 Jul 1972-30 Jun 1974

1 Jul 1975—30 Jun 1977

1 Jul 1982-30 Jun 1984

EMBLEM

The stylized fighting rack symbolizes the mission of the 31st Weather Squadron not only as providing weather support on an everyday basis (the familiar weather vane rooster) but also the maintaining of wartime capability (the warrior attire). The shield he carries indicates his allegiance to the Air Weather Service and support and attachment to the U.S. Air Forces,

Europe. The weather vane is superimposed on a background of cumulonimbus or thunderhead cloud to indicate his activity during periods of bad weather. The Air Force colors of ultramarine blue and golden yellow, as well as the national colors of red, white, and blue are used. (Approved, 16 Mar 1959)

MOTTO

OPERATIONS

Det 1, Bitburg AB, Germany

Det 2, Ramstein AB, Germany

Det 3, Florennes AB, Germany

Det 7, Aviano AB, Italy

Det 8, Zweibrucken AB, Germany

Det 9, Comiso AB, Italy

Det 11, Spangdahlem AB, Germany

Det 12, Torrejon AB, Spain

Det 14, Hahn AB, Germany

Det 16, Zaragoza AB, Spain

Det 19, Incirlik AB, Turkey

Det 20, Sembach AB, Germany

Det 25, Rhein Main AB, Germany

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