

379 SPACE RANGE SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE

379 Bombardment Squadron (Medium) constituted, 28 Jan 1942
Activated, 15 Mar 1942
Inactivated, 12 Sep 1945
Redesignated 379 Bombardment Squadron, Light, 11 Mar 1947
Activated in the reserve, 11 Jun 1947
Inactivated, 27 Jun 1949
Redesignated 379 Bombardment Squadron, Medium, 15 Mar 1952
Activated, 28 Mar 1952
Discontinued and inactivated, 25 Mar 1965
Redesignated 379 Space Range Squadron, 14 Feb 2012
Activated in the Reserve, 1 Apr 2012

STATIONS

Davis-Monthan Field, AZ, 15 Mar 1942
Jackson AAB, MS, 15 Mar 1942
Key Field, MS, 25 Apr 1942
Columbia AAB, SC, 18 May 1942
Walterboro, SC, 14 Aug 1942
Greenville AAB, SC, 18 Sep 17 Oct 1942
Mediouna, French Morocco, 19 Nov 1942
Telergma, Algeria, 21 Dec 1942

Berteaux, Algeria, 1 Jan 1943
Dar el Koudia, Tunisia, 6 Jun 1943
Menzel Temime, Tunisia, 5 Aug 1943 (operated from Oudna, Tunisia, c. 13-31 Oct 1943)
Philippeville, Algeria, 9 Nov 1943 (operated from El Adem, Libya, 2-26 Nov 1943, and from
Gambit, Libya, 26 Nov 1943-26 Feb 1944)
Ghisonaccia, Corsica, 26 Feb 1944
Fano, Italy, 9 Apr 1943
Pomigliano, Italy, 15 Aug-12 Sep 1945
Bedford AAFld, MA, 11 Jun 1947-27 Jun 1949
Forbes AFB, KS, 28 Mar 1952
Smoky Hill AFB, KS, 3 Sep 1952
Schriever AFB, CO, 1 Apr 2012

DEPLOYED STATIONS

Upper Heyford, England, 10 Mar 1955-8 Jun 1955

ASSIGNMENTS

310 Bombardment Group, 15 Mar 1942-12 Sep 1945
310 Bombardment Group, 11 Jun 1947-27 Jun 1949
310 Bombardment (later Strategic Aerospace) Wing, 28 Mar 1952
310 Operations Group, 1 Apr 2012

ATTACHMENTS

235 Wing, RAF, 2 Nov 1943-26 Feb 1944

WEAPON SYSTEMS

B-25, 192-1945
B-29, 1952-1954
B-47, 1954

COMMANDERS

Lt Polk, 15 Mar-May 1942
2Lt Jimmie Struthers, 1942
1 Lt A. W. White, 1942
Maj Travis Hoover, 25 Jul 1942
Capt Heston C. Daniel, 5 May 1943
Maj Earl E. Batten, 22 May 1943
Lt Col M. J. Wetzel, c. Oct 1943
Maj George N. Evans, 19 Mar 1945-unkn
Unkn, 28 Mar-31 Dec 1952
Lt Col Stanley, Jan 1953
Maj Joseph A. Varga, 19 Aug 1953
Lt Col Howard L. McClatchy, 19 Dec 1953
Maj Charles D. Gunn Jr., 16 Mar 1954

Lt Richard E. Sefton, c. Jun 1954
Lt Col Howard L. McClatchy, Jul 1954
Maj Billie R. Wise, Jul 1957
Lt Col Carl J. Roeser, Mar 1958
Maj Charles D. Gunn Jr., Feb 1959
Maj David A. Austin, Aug 1960
Maj Virgil L. Westling, Apr 1961
Lt Col Roger McGinnis, May 1962
Maj Virgil L. Westling, Oct 1962
Maj Doyle F. Reynolds, Aug 1963-unkn
Unkn, 1 Apr 2012
Lt Col Clifton D. Stargardt, 1 Aug 2012
Lt Col Shakir Khan, 2014
Lt Col Agustin Carrero, 1 Jul 2016
Lt Col Sheila Wilds, Jul 2018
Lt Col Elizabeth M. Paget, 19 Jun 2020

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Tunisia
Sicily
Naples-Foggia
Rome-Arno
Southern France
North Apennines
Rhineland
Central Europe
Po Valley
Air Combat, EAME Theater

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Distinguished Unit Citations
Italy, 27 Aug 1943
Ora, Italy, 10 Mar 1945

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award
1 Jan 1956-1 Jan 1959

EMBLEM



Activated, 28 Mar 1952



379TH BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON

On a red disc, a black target land; edged white and bearing three white concentric rings; surmounting the center of the target a globe, land areas Air Force golden yellow, water areas Force blue; above the globe and surmounting the target six small white clouds; issuing from sinister chief andsurmounting all, a red lightning flash edged white pointing to the center of the globe.

SIGNIFICANCE: The emblem symbolizes the squadron's primary mission. The disc displays the squadron's color and symbolizes the concerted effort of squadron personnel to carry out the mission with honor valor. The target represents the squadron's goal, the cloud indicate the difficulties the squadron must overcome and the lightning striking the very center of the globe implies the squadron is ready to strike anytime, anywhere to preserve the nation's freedom. (Approved, 21 Jan 1958)

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OPERATIONS

Combat in MTO and ETO, 2 Dec 1942-3 May 1945.

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Sources

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