

419 FORCE SUPPORT SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE

419 Base Headquarters and Air Base Squadron constituted, 21 Aug 1942

Activated, 26 Aug 1942

Disbanded, 1 Apr 1944

Reconstituted and redesignated 419 Combat Support Squadron, 22 Feb 1982

Activated in the Reserve, 1 Oct 1982

Redesignated 419 Mission Support Squadron, 1 Feb 1992

Redesignated 419 Mission Support Flight, 1 Sep 2003

Redesignated 419 Force Support Squadron, 15 Oct 2010

STATIONS

Dyersburg, TN, 26 Aug 1942-1 Apr 1944

Hill AFB, UT, 1 Oct 1982

ASSIGNMENTS

Air Service Command, 26 Aug 1942

Army Air Forces Southeast Training Center, 2 Jan 1943

Second Air Force, 8 Mar 1943-1 Apr 1944

419 Tactical Fighter (later, 419 Fighter) Wing, 1 Oct 1982

419 Support (later, 419 Mission Support) Group, 1 Aug 1992

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

World War II American Theater

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

[1 Oct 1982]-31 Jul 1983

2 Aug 1983-2 Aug 1985

1 Jul 1987-31 Aug 1989

1 Apr 1994-31 Mar 1996

1 Jul 2005-30 Jun 2007

1 Jul 2007-30 Jun 2008

1 Jul 2008-30 Jun 2009

EMBLEM

On a disc, Ultramarine, a Chimera head, Golden Orange, AF Yellow, and Scarlet, and a Chimera tail (Oriental), all within a narrow border, AF Yellow. Attached above the disc, a Black scroll edged with a narrow AF Yellow border and inscribed "CONIUNCTIS VIRIBUS", Latin for "with connected strength" or "with united powers" in AF Yellow letters. Attached below the disc, a Black scroll edged with a narrow AF Yellow border and inscribed "419 FSS" in AF Yellow letters.

SIGNIFICANCE: In Greek mythology a Chimera is a fire-breathing female monster with multiple heads and one body. As a single organism, it is a creature of tolerance and diversity in its many forms. The Chimera symbolizes a real sense of unit cohesion despite very different work groups as together we form the same animal, capable of great achievements. Workgroups within the FSS are represented in the Chimera as follows: Goat Head: Symbolizes our goal to provide the greatest services of all time. Lion Head: As the central head, it forms a single organism, a family of Airman, ready for anything! Dragon Head: Communicates great knowledge and wisdom. Breathes fire in the shape of an airplane representing how education & training provides the wings that lift up our Airmen. Chimera Tail: In the shape of a snake, the chimera tail provides balance with military personnel support allowing servicemen the ability to strike our enemies anytime, anywhere.

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OPERATIONS

USAF Unit Histories

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Sources

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