

## 486<sup>th</sup> FIGHTER SQUADRON



### MISSION

### LINEAGE

486<sup>th</sup> Fighter Squadron constituted, 29 Sep 1942

Activated, 1 Oct 1942

Inactivated, 10 Nov 1945

### STATIONS

Mitchel Field, NY, 1 Oct 1942

Bradley Field, CT, Oct 1942

Westover Field, MA, Nov 1942

Trumbull Field, CT, c. 15 Jan 1943

Republic Field, NY, 8 Mar 1943

Westover Field, MA, 24 May-16 Jun 1943

Bodney, England, 7 Jul 1943 (detachment operated from Asch, Belgium, 23 Dec 1944-27 Jan 1945)

Chievres, Belgium, 28 Jan 1945

Bodney, England, 14 Apr-4 Nov 1945

Camp Kilmer, NJ, 9-10 Nov 1945

### ASSIGNMENTS

352<sup>nd</sup> Fighter Group, 1 Oct 1942-10 Nov 1945

### WEAPON SYSTEMS

P-47, 1942-1944

P-47C

P-47D

P-51, 1944-1945

P-51B

P-51C

P-51D

P-51K

## **COMMANDERS**

Cpt William J. Hennon, 1 Oct 1942

Maj Luter H. Richmond, 1 Apr 1943

Maj Willie O. Jackson, 19 Apr 1944

LTC Franklin N. Greene, 21 Feb 1945

Maj Donald H. Higgins, 26 May 1945

## **HONORS**

### **Service Streamers**

### **Campaign Streamers**

Offensive, Europe

Air Normandy

Northern France

Rhineland

Ardennes-Alsace

Central Europe

Air Combat, EAME Theater

### **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

### **Decorations**

Distinguished Unit Citation

Brunswick, Germany, 8 May 1944

French Croix de Guerre with Palm

1 Jan 1945

### **EMBLEM**

### **MOTTO**

### **NICKNAME**

### **CALL SIGN**

Handspun

Angus (A Group)

Rocket (B Group)

## **OPERATIONS**

Combat in ETO, 9 Sep 1943-25 Apr 1945

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Air Force Order of Battle

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Sources

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