

# 527<sup>th</sup> AIR DEFENSE GROUP

## MISSION

527<sup>th</sup> Air Defense Group mission was air defense of the Great Lakes area.

## LINEAGE

527<sup>th</sup> Air Service Group constituted

Activated, 27 May 1945

Disbanded, 28 Aug 1948

Reconstituted and redesignated 527<sup>th</sup> Air Defense Group, 21 Jan 1953

Activated, 16 Feb 1953

Inactivated, 18 Aug 1955

Disbanded, 27 Sep 1984

## STATIONS

Santuario dell' Incononata, Italy, 27 May 1945-1945

Torretto, Italy, 1945-1945

Sioux Falls Army Airfield, SD, 1945-28 Aug 1945

Wurtsmith AFB, MI, 16 Feb 1953-18 Aug 1955

## ASSIGNMENTS

Air Service Command, Mediterranean Theater of Operations

4708<sup>th</sup> Defense Wing (later 4708<sup>th</sup> Air Defense Wing), 16 Feb 1953-18 Aug 1955

## WEAPON SYSTEMS

F-86F 1953-1954

F-86D 1954-1955

F-89D 1955

## COMMANDERS

## HONORS

Service Streamers

## **Campaign Streamers**

## **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

## **Decorations**

## **EMBLEM**

## **MOTTO**

## **NICKNAME**

## **OPERATIONS**

Its 953rd Air Engineering Squadron provided maintenance that was beyond the capability of the combat group, its 777th Air Materiel Squadron handled all supply matters, and its Headquarters & Base Services Squadron provided other support. Supported the 461st Bombardment Group in Italy. Returned to the US, passing through Camp Patrick Henry, VA, and was inactivated.

Redesignated as an air defense group, reconstituted and activated at Wurtsmith AFB in 1953 with responsibility for air defense of the Great Lakes area. Replaced 84th Air Base Squadron as USAF Host unit at Wurtsmith. Assigned three squadrons to perform its support responsibilities. Replaced by 412th Fighter Group (Air Defense).