

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



### MISSION

#### LINEAGE

566<sup>th</sup> Air Service Group constituted, 1944

Activated, 7 Dec 1944

Inactivated, 14 Aug 1945

Disbanded, 8 Oct 1948

Reconstituted and redesignated 566<sup>th</sup> Air Base Group, 1 Jan 1952

Activated, 1 Feb 1952

Redesignated 566<sup>th</sup> Air Defense Group, 16 Feb 1953

Inactivated, 18 Aug 1955

#### STATIONS

Robins Field, GA, 7 Dec 1944-14 Aug 1945

Hamilton AFB, CA, 1 Feb 1952-18 Aug 1955

#### ASSIGNMENTS

Warner Robins Air Technical Service Command, 7 Dec 1944-14 Aug 1945

4702<sup>nd</sup> Defense Wing, 1 Feb 1952

28<sup>th</sup> Air Division 7 Nov 1952-18 Aug 1955

## **WEAPON SYSTEMS**

F-51D, 1953

F-86D 1953-1954

F-86E 1954-1955

F-89B 1953

F-94B 1953

F-94C 1953-1955

## **COMMANDERS**

LTC Charles E. Stiven, 7 Dec 1944-Apr 1945

LTC Charles W. Coleman, Apr 1945-14 Aug 1945

Col George F. Anderson, #1954

## **HONORS**

### **Service Streamers**

### **Campaign Streamers**

### **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

### **Decorations**

## **EMBLEM**

## **MOTTO**

## **NICKNAME**

## **OPERATIONS**

The 566<sup>th</sup> Air Service Group's 984th Air Engineering Squadron would provide maintenance that was beyond the capability of the combat group, its 1004th Air Materiel Squadron would handle all supply matters, and its Headquarters & Base Services Squadron would provide other support. Inactivated before it could be deployed overseas. It was disbanded in 1948.

Redesignated as an air base group, reconstituted, and activated at Hamilton AFB in 1952. It replaced the 78th Air Base Group as host unit for Hamilton. Responsible for air defense of Northern California. 1953-1955 The 566th was replaced by the 78th Fighter Group (Air Defense) on 18 August 1955.

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Air Force Order of Battle

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Sources

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