

731 RADAR SQUADRON (SAGE)



MISSION

LINEAGE

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STATIONS

Sundance, WY

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

731st Radar Sq (SAGE): activated 1 Dec 60 at Sundance AFS, WY, assigned to 29th AD; transferred to Minot ADS 1 Jan 61; transferred to Sioux City ADS 25 Jun 63; transferred to 30th AD 1 Apr 66; discontinued 18 Jun 68.

Operational status was delayed at this site to allow testing. The tests were used to determine if atomic energy could be used to produce sufficient power to operate a radar station. The tests succeeded and when the site became operational in 1962, the AN/FPS-7C, AN/FPS-6, and AN/FPS-26 sets became the nation's first nuclear-powered radars. This SAGE feeder station was manned by the 731st Radar Squadron. The Air Force inactivated the 731st in June 1968.

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