790 RADAR SQUADRON (SAGE)



MISSION

LINEAGE

790 Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron Redesignated 790 Radar Squadron (SAGE)

STATIONS

Kirksville, MO

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

Maj Henry H. Biehusen, #1957

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

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OPERATIONS

790th Radar Sq (SAGE): activated 1 May 51 at Sublette, MO, assigned to 543rd AWN Gp; transferred to 33rd AD 6 Feb 52; site redesignated to Kirksville AFS 1 Dec 53; transferred to 20th AD 1 Mar 56; transferred to 37th AD ca. 15 Oct 58; transferred to 30th AD 1 Apr 59; transferred to Chicago ADS 1 Jun 59; redesignated froth ACW Sq to 790th Radar Sq (SAGE) 1 Nov 59; transferred to 20th AD 1 Apr 66; reassigned to 30th AD 1 Dec 57; discontinued 8 Sep 68.

790 Kirksville AFS, MO FPS-10 (2); FPS-7C; FPS-6A (2) FPS-7C Apr-52 08-Sep-68 Site earlier known as Sublette AFS. FAA site now.

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