

## 1st FIGHTER WING



### MISSION

The 1st Fighter Wing is composed of the 1 Operations Group and 1st Maintenance Group, and responsible for delivering F-22 Air Power worldwide on short notice to support Combatant Commander taskings.

### LINEAGE<sup>1</sup>

1st Fighter Wing established, 28 Jul 1947  
Organized, 15 Aug 1947  
Redesignated 1st Fighter Interceptor Wing, 16 Apr 1950  
Inactivated, 6 Feb 1952  
Redesignated 1st Fighter Wing (Air Defense), 14 Sep 1956  
Activated, 18 Oct 1956  
Redesignated 1st Tactical Fighter Wing, 1 Oct 1970  
Redesignated 1st Fighter Wing, 1 Oct 1991

### STATIONS

March Field (later, AFB), California, 15 Aug 1947  
George AFB, California, 18 Jul 1950  
Norton AFB, California, 1 Dec 1951-6 Feb 1952  
Selfridge AFB, Michigan, 18 Oct 1956  
Hamilton AFB, California, 31 Dec 1969  
MacDill AFB, Florida, 1 Oct 1970  
Langley AFB, Virginia, 30 Jun 1975

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<sup>1</sup> Air Force Historical Research Agency. U.S. Air Force. Maxwell AFB, AL.

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

Twelfth Air Force, 15 Aug 1947  
Fourth Air Force, 20 Dec 1948  
Fifteenth Air Force, 1 May 1949  
Fourth Air Force, 1 Jul 1950  
Western Air Defense Force, 1 Aug 1950-6 Feb 1952, 7 Aug-19 Sep 1950  
27th Air Division, 20 Sep 1950-6 Feb 1952)  
30th Air Division, 18 Oct 1956  
Detroit Air Defense Sector, 1 Apr 1959  
34th Air Division, 1 Apr 1966  
23d Air Division, 1 Dec 1969  
26th Air Division, 31 Dec 1969  
836th Air Division, 1 Oct 1970  
Ninth Air Force, 30 Sep 1971

## **ATTACHMENTS**

22d Bombardment Wing, 1 Jul 1949-1 Apr 1950  
Western Air Defense Force, 1-31 Jul 1950  
Southern California Air Defense Sector [Provisional]

## **WEAPON SYSTEMS**

P (later, F)-80, 1947-1949  
RF-80, 1947-1949  
FA (later, RB)-26, 1947-1949  
L-13, 1947-1949  
B-26, 1948-1949  
L-4, 1948-1949  
L-5, 1948-1949  
F-86, 1949-1952  
B-29, 1949  
F-51, 1951-1952  
F-86, 1956-1960  
F-102, 1958-1960  
TF-102  
F-106, 1960-1969, 1969-1970  
F-4, 1970-1975  
B-57, 1970-1972  
F-15, 1975  
EC-135, 1976-1992  
HH-3, 1993-1994  
HC-130, 1993-1997  
C-21, 1993-1997  
HH-60, 1994-1997  
F-22

## **COMMANDERS**

Col Carl J. Crane, 15 Aug 1947  
Col Elvin F. Maughn, 19 Jan 1948  
Col Clifford H. Rees, 17 May 1948  
Col Joseph H. Davidson, 13 Jan 1949  
Col George McCoy, Jr., 14 Jun 1949  
Col William L. Lee, 19 Aug 1949  
Col Wiley D. Ganey, 4 Jan 1950  
Col George McCoy, Jr., 17 Feb 1950  
Brig Gen Donald R. Hutchinson, 17 Oct 1950  
Col Dolf E. Muehleisen, 14 Dec 1950  
Col Robert F. Worley, Jun 1951-6 Feb 1952  
Col Glenn E. Duncan, 18 Oct 1956  
Col Charles D. Sonnkalb, Aug 1959  
Col George J. LaBreche, Dec 1960  
Col Ralph G. Taylor, Jr., 15 Jun 1962  
Col Wallace B. Frank, 11 Sep 1963  
Col Converse B. Kelly, 16 Sep 1963  
Col Kenneth E. Rosebush, Aug 1966  
Col Taras T. Popovich, 29 Apr 1968  
Col Morris B. Pitts, 31 Oct 1969  
Col Mervin M. Taylor, Jan 1970  
Col Travis R. McNeil, 1 Oct 1970  
Col Robert F. Titus, 1 Mar 1971  
Col Howard W. Leaf, 6 May 1971  
Col Walter D. Druen, Jr., 1 Nov 1971  
Col Sydney L. Davis, 18 Apr 1972  
Col Gerald J. Carey, Jr., 25 Jun 1973  
Col Ernest A. Bedke, Jun 1975  
Lt Col George H. Miller, 1 Jul 1975  
Brig Gen Larry D. Welch, 1 Aug 1975  
Brig Gen John T. Chain, Jr., 1 Aug 1977  
Col Neil L. Eddins, 27 Mar 1978  
Col Donald L. Miller, 15 May 1979  
Brig Gen William T. Tolbert, 11 Aug 1980  
Brig Gen Eugene H. Fischer, 29 Jan 1982  
Brig Gen Henry Viccellio, Jr., 6 Apr 1983  
Brig Gen Billy G. McCoy, 31 May 1985  
Col Buster C. Glosson, 10 Jul 1986  
Col Richard B. Myers, 11 Jun 1987  
Col John M. McBroom, 24 Feb 1989  
Col David J. McCloud, 27 Jun 1991  
Brig Gen Gregory S. Martin, 15 Jun 1993

Brig Gen William R. Looney III, 23 May 1995  
Col Felix Dupre, 11 Apr 1996 (temporary)  
Brig Gen William R. Looney III, 29 Jun 1996  
Brig Gen Theodore W. Lay II, 10 Jul 1996  
Col Gary R. Dylewski, 21 Oct 1997  
Col Felix Dupre, 7 Apr 1999  
Brig Gen Stephen M. Goldfein, 10 Apr 2000  
Col Stephen J. Miller, 11 Jan 2002  
Col Frank Gorenc, 2 Sep 2003  
Brig Gen Burton M. Field, 15 Jun 2005  
Brig Gen Mark A. Barrett, 30 Apr 2007  
Brig Gen Matthew H. Molloy, 8 May 2009  
Col Kevin J. Robbins, 23 May 2011

## **HONORS**

### **Service Streamers**

#### **Campaign Streamers**

Southwest Asia  
Defense of Saudi Arabia  
Liberation and Defense of Kuwait

#### **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

#### **Decorations**

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards  
1 Jul 1975-31 Oct 1976  
15 Jun 1982-15 Jun 1984  
16 Jun 1984-15 Jun 1986  
1 Jun 1995-31 May 1997  
1 Jun 1998-31 May 2000  
1 Jun 2000-31 May 2001  
1 Jun 2004-31 May 2006  
1 Jun 2006-31 May 2008  
1 Jun 2008-31 May 2010

#### **Bestowed Honors**

Authorized to display honors earned by the 1 Operations Group prior to 15 Aug 1947

### **Service Streamers**

#### **Campaign Streamers**

World War I

Champagne-Marne  
Aisne-Marne  
Oise-Aisne  
St Mihiel  
Meuse-Argonne  
Lorraine Defensive Sector  
Champagne Defensive Sector

World War II  
Air Offensive, Europe  
Algeria-French Morocco  
Tunisia  
Sicily  
Naples-Foggia  
Anzio  
Rome-Arno  
Normandy  
Northern France  
Southern France  
North Apennines  
Rhineland  
Central Europe  
Po Valley  
Air Combat, EAME Theater

**Decorations**

Distinguished Unit Citations  
Italy, 25 Aug 1943  
Italy, 30 Aug 1943  
Ploesti, Rumania, 18 May 1944

**EMBLEM**



1st Fighter Wing emblem: Vert, five bendlets enhanced sable fimbriated or, as many crosses patee in bend debased three and two of the second fimbriated argent. On 21 Jan 1924, the Adjutant General approved the 1 Pursuit Group's emblem. The emblem was designed with the unit's history in mind. The green and black colors represented the colors of the Army Air Service, the five stripes signified the original five flying squadrons, and the five crosses symbolized the five major World War I campaigns credited to the Group. (Approved for 1 Group, 10 Feb 1924 and for 1 Wing, 22 May 1957)

#### **MOTTO**

MUT VINCERE AUT MORI-Conquer or Die

#### **OPERATIONS**