

## 17 FORCE SUPPORT SQUADRON



### MISSION

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

17<sup>th</sup> Station Complement Squadron constituted, 5 Apr 1943

Activated, 10 Apr 1943

Redesignated 17<sup>th</sup> Station Complement Squadron (Special), Jul 1944

Disbanded, 24 Jun 1945

Reconstituted and redesignated 17<sup>th</sup> Mission Support Squadron, 8 Jun 1993

Activated, 1 Jul 1993

Redesignated 17<sup>th</sup> Force Support Squadron, 22 Aug 2008

#### STATIONS

Jacksonville Municipal Airport, FL, 10 Apr-21 Jun 1943

Keevil, England 17 Jul 1943

Greenham Common, England, 28 Sep 1943

Keevil, England, 30 Oct 1943

Zeals, England, 16 Nov 1943

Gosfield, England, 13 Dec 1943

Stoney Cross, England, 6 Mar 1944

Les Oubeaux, France, 30 Jul 1944

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

Unit yearbook. *17 Bombardment Wing, The Black Knights, Hurlburt Field, FL, 1956*. Army and Navy Publishing Co. Baton Rouge, LA. 1956.

Canisy, France, 2 Aug 1944  
Coulouvray, France, 12 Aug 1944  
Haliene, France 19 Aug 1944  
Versailles, France, 1 Sep 1944  
Jamioulx, Belgium, 10 Sep 1944  
Verviers, Belgium, 2 Oct 1944  
Chantilly, France, 8 Nov 1944  
Bad Kissingen, Germany, 6 Jun-24 Jun 1945  
Goodfellow AFB, TX, 1 Jul 1993

### **ASSIGNMENTS**

Third Air Force, 10 Apr 1943-21 June 1943  
Eighth Air Force, 15 Jul 1943  
Ninth Air Force, 4 Aug 1944-24 Jun 1945  
17<sup>th</sup> Support (later, 17<sup>th</sup> Mission Support) Group, 3 Sep 2002

### **COMMANDERS**

Warrant Officer Joseph E. Cobble, #1956  
Maj Clinton Ross

### **HONORS**

#### **Service Streamers**

None

#### **Campaign Streamers**

World War II  
Northern France, 1944  
Rhineland, 1944-1945

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

#### **Decorations**

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards  
1 Jul 1995 - 30 Jun 1997  
1 Jul 1997 - 30 Jun 1999  
1 Jul 2003 - 30 Jun 2005  
1 Jul 2007 - 30 Jun 2009  
1 Jul 2009 - 30 Jun 2011  
1 Jul 2011 - 30 Jun 2013  
1 Jul 2013 - 30 Jun 2015  
1 Jul 2015 - 30 Jun 2017

Citation in the Order of the Day of the Belgian Army  
6 Jun-30 Sep 1944

## EMBLEM



Blue and yellow are the Air Force colors. Blue alludes to the sky, the primary theater of Air Force operations. Yellow refers to the sun and the excellence required of Air Force personnel. The triangle indicates the direct support of the squadron to the three groups under the Wing. The yellow pile suggests a ray of light and reflects a sense of well-being through knowledge. The eagle, a national symbol of defense, represents the dedication of unit personnel to the Air Force global reach mission. Approved, 3 Feb 1998

## MOTTO

Setting the Standard

## OPERATIONS

17th Mission Support Squadron: Responsible for programs covering military/civilian personnel, education services and family support for joint service firefighter, intelligence and AF special instruments training. Provides systems, resources and procedures to support commanders at all levels, ensures maximum readiness and delivers services to 4,800 military, 520 civilians, 10,000 students and 3,700 family members assigned to the 17th Training Wing.

The 17th Mission Support Squadron includes:

Education Services

Family Support

Civilian Personnel

Military Personnel

Manpower and Organization