

1849 AIR BASE WING

MISSION

LINEAGE

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STATIONS

Richards-Gebaur AFB, MO

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

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MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

One of the positive outcomes that came with the consolidation of GEEIA into AFCS was the need for a separate base to accommodate the expanded headquarters. Facilities at Scott AFB, Illinois, where Headquarters AFCS then resided, were saturated, leaving no room for expansion. Consequently, the headquarters moved to Richards-Gebaur AFB, Missouri, near Kansas City. For the first time since World War II, the Air Force Communications Service had its own base. The short move from Scott AFB to Richards-Gebaur AFB took place in the summer of 1970, with the

official assumption of command taking place on 15 July 1970. To support the new command headquarters, the 1849th Air Base Wing, with associated consolidated aircraft maintenance, supply, and civil engineering squadrons, and the 1849th USAF hospital were designated, activated, and assigned to AFCS.

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