

23rd AIR DIVISION



MISSION

LINEAGE

23rd Air Division established, 18 Nov 1969
Activated, 19 Nov 1969
Inactivated, 1 Jul 1987

STATIONS

Duluth International Airport, MN, 19 Nov 1969
Tyndall AFB, FL, 15 Apr 1982-1 Jul 1987

ASSIGNMENTS

Aerospace Defense Command, 19 Nov 1969
Tactical Air Command, 1 Oct 1979
First Air Force, 6 Dec 1985-1 Jul 1987

COMMANDERS

BG Clayton M. Isaacson, 19 Nov 1969
BG Guy Hurst Jr., 1 Aug 1970
BG Louis G. Leiser, 13 Mar 1972
Col James J. Kleckner, 26 Jul 1974 (interim)
BG George C. Cannon Jr., 19 Aug 1974
BG Mervin M. Taylor, 12 Jul 1976
Col Kenneth W. Ohlinger, 27 Sep 1976 (temporary)
BG Edward L. Ellis, 7 Mar 1977
Col Rondall H. Stull, 22 Jan 1979

BG Charles E. Bishop, 28 Jan 1980
Col John F. Manning, 23 Nov 1981
None (not manned), 15 Apr 1982-Feb 1983
BG Paul D. Wagoner, 1 Mar 1983
BG Charles A. Horner, 23 May 1983
BG Donald R. Delauter, 11 Oct 1983
BG James M. Rhodes Jr., 11 Apr 1986-1 Jul 1987

HONORS

Service Streamers

None

Campaign Streamers

None

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

None

Decorations

None

EMBLEM

Azure, issuing from sinister base a demi sphere bendwise vert gridlined and rimmed or edged with a styled cloud formation argent, surmounted by a lightning flash originating in base and extending to chief in bend of the last voided gules and charged in base with an oval of the first bearing a mullet argent, all within a diminished bordure of the like. (Approved, 28 Jul 1970)

MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPEATIONS

The 23d assumed responsibility for the air defense of Minnesota, Wisconsin, Michigan, Ohio, Indiana, Illinois, Iowa, and parts of Nebraska, Kansas, Missouri, and Kentucky on 19 Nov 1969. By 1973, this area expanded to include parts of Oklahoma, Arkansas, Tennessee, and Mississippi.

Air Force Order of Battle

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Sources

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