# **27 SPECIAL OPERATIONS AIRCRAFT MAINTENANCE SQUADRON**



# MISSION

Maintains AC-130H, AC-130W and MC-130J aircraft, personnel and equipment to support precision aerospace fires and close air support, overt and covert infiltration, resupply and infiltration and intelligence, surveillance, reconnaissance missions. Organizes, trains and equips 700 personnel.

#### LINEAGE

27 Periodic Maintenance Squadron constituted, 4 Jun 1952 Activated, 16 Jun 1952 Inactivated, 25 Sep 1957 Redesignated 27 Organizational Maintenance Squadron and activated, 20 Sep 1962 Organized 1 Oct 1962 Discontinued and inactivated, 1 Nov 1966 Activated, 15 Dec 1971 Redesignated 27 Aircraft Generation Squadron, 1 Apr 1978 Inactivated, 1 Nov 1991 Redesignated 27 Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, 28 Jun 2002 Activated 27 Sep 2002 Redesignated 27 Special Operations Aircraft Maintenance Squadron, 1 Oct 2007

# **STATIONS**

Bergstrom AFB, TX, 16 Jun 1952-25 Sep 1957 Cannon AFB, NM, 1 Oct 1962-1 Nov 1966 Cannon AFB, NM, 15 Dec 1971-1 Nov 1991 Cannon AFB, NM, 27 Sep 2002

## **DEPLOYED STATIONS**

Misawa AB, Japan, 9 Oct 1952-20 Jan 1953

## ASSIGNMENTS

27 Fighter-Escort (later, 27 Strategic Fighter; 27 Fighter Bomber) Wing, 16 Jun 1952-25 Sep 1957
27 Tactical Fighter Wing, 1 Oct 1952-1 Nov 1966
27 Tactical Fighter (later, 27 Fighter) Wing, 15 Dec 1971-1 Nov 1991
27 Maintenance (later, 27 Special Operations Maintenance) Group, 27 Sep 2002

#### COMMANDERS

Capt Donald N. Rickert, #1955 LT Col James Chandler, #1964

# HONORS

Service Streamers

**Campaign Streamers** 

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

#### Decorations

Meritorious Unit Award 1 Oct 2007-30 Sep 2009 1 Oct 2011-30 Sep 2013

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award 1 Jan 1981-30 Jun 1982 1 Jan 1988-31 Dec 1989 1 Jun 2002-May 2004

#### EMBLEM



27 Organizational Maintenance Squadron emblem



27 Aircraft Generation Squadron emblem approved, 23 Jan 1979



27 Aircraft Maintenance Squadron emblem



27 Aircraft Maintenance Squadron emblem approved, 7 Mar 2019

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**OPERATIONS** 

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