## **2584 AIR RESERVE FLYING CENTER**

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<b>OPERATIONS</b> 1957, The 2584th had two major responsibilities to carry out. First was the support of the Sabre Indoctrination Course which provided transition to the F-86H to the center's own personnel and

to those of five reserve FBWs. In addition, it had to close down support of the new Det. #1, 2584th AFRC and the 50th FBS, both organizations then located at New Orleans, LA.

The 319th FBW (Reserve) made the change from the F-84E to F-86G on 17 March with the first two F-86Hs arriving on 13 March. Its mission was the air defense of Memphis and the midsouth sector of the country. To aid the 319th, the 3497th Mobile Training Squadron, which sent a mobile training detachment to Hensley Field, Grand Prairie, TX, moved that detachment to Memphis.

The center had a major job to accomplish as Air Reserve Flying Center pilots and pilots from numbered Air Force units had to be trained to function as instructor pilots for F-86H transition training during active duty encampments, which were scheduled to be held from 2 June to 1 September 1957.

The 2584th worked hard to build flying hours and make a successful but phased transition from the F-84E to the F-86H. The number of aircraft assigned shifted according to the rate of transfer of aircraft both into and out of the unit.

The 2584th went into the second half of 1957 providing transition training for three Reserve FBWs. The identities, home stations and periods of two week active duty encampment were:

448th FBW, 30 June - 14 July, Hensley Field, Grand Prairie, TX.

482nd FBW, 14 - 28 July, Dobbins AFB, GA.

439th FBW, 3-17 August, Selfridge AFB, Mt Clemens, Ml.

The 438th FBW, from Milwaukee, WI, was scheduled to arrive for an encampment which was to last from 17 August through 1 September, but this plan was cancelled, presumably because the plan to convert the Reserve FBWs to C-119 cargo planes was already in motion. The change of mission from FBW to TCW, affecting the Memphis-based 319th, went into effect on 16 November.

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