

36th WING



MISSION

The wing is composed of the 36th Support Group, the 36th Maintenance Group, the 36th Medical Group, the 36th Expeditionary Operations Group and the 36th Operations Support Squadron.

LINEAGE

36th Fighter Wing, established, 17 Jun 1948
Activated, 2 Jul 1948
Redesignated 36th Fighter Bomber Wing, 20 Jan 1950
Redesignated 36th Fighter-Day Wing, 9 Aug 1954
Redesignated 36th Tactical Fighter Wing, 8 Jul 1958
Redesignated 36th Fighter Wing, 1 Oct 1991
Inactivated, 1 Oct 1994
Redesignated 36th Air Base Wing and activated, 1 Oct 1994
Redesignated 36th Wing, 15 Mar 2006

STATIONS

Howard AFB, Canal Zone, 2-25 Jul 1948
Furstenfeldbruck (later, Furstenfeldbruck AB), Germany, 13 Aug 1948
Bitburg AB, Germany, 13 Dec 1952-1 Oct 1994
Andersen AFB, Guam, 1 Oct 1994

ASSIGNMENTS

Caribbean Air Command, 2 Jul 1948
United States Air Forces in Europe, 13 Aug 1948

2nd Air Division, 10 Oct 1949
Twelfth Air Force, 7 May 1951
United States Air Forces in Europe, 1 Jan 1958
Seventeenth Air Force, 15 Nov 1959-1 Oct 1994
Thirteenth Air Force, 1 Oct 1994

ATTACHMENTS

6th Fighter Wing, 2-28 Jul 1948
Air Division, 6-17 Sep 1949
Flight A, HQ Twelfth Air Force [Advanced Echelon], 7-20 May 1951
Twelfth Air Force [Advanced Echelon], 21 May 1951-26 Apr 1953
United States Air Forces in Europe [Advanced Echelon], 1 Jan 1958-14 Nov 1959

WEAPON SYSTEMS

F-80, 1948-1950
F-84, 1950-1953
F-86, 1953-1956
F-100, 1956-1961
F-105, 1961-1966
F-4, 1966-1977
F-102, 1968-1969
EB-66, 1969-1971
F-15, 1977-1994
B-17, 1948
B/RB-26, 1948-1949
Matador, 1955-1956
Mace, 1965-1969
RF-4, 1977
A-7, 1977

COMMANDERS

Col Henry R. Spicer, 2 Jul 1948 (additional duty)
Col Malcolm N. Stewart, 13 Aug 1948
Col John C. Crosthwaite, 16 Sep 1948
Col Hubert Zemke, 2 Nov 1949
Col Thomas K. Hampton, 10 Nov 1949
Col Richard A. Legg, 3 Dec 1949
Col Robert L. Scott Jr., 1 Mar 1951
Col Thomas B. Whitehouse, 30 May 1953
Col William H. Dick, 5 Jun 1954
Col Roy R. Brischetto, 17 Aug 1954
Col William H. Dick, 11 Jan 1955
Col John A. Brooks III, 7 Feb 1955
BG Walter B. Putnam, 21 Jul 1956

Col James D. Berry, 10 Jun 1960
BG Robert L. Delashaw, 18 Jul 1960
Col John H. Buckner, c. 11 Jun 1963
BG Gordon F. Blood, 11 Jul 1963
Col James F. Hackler, Jr., 22 Aug 1964
Col Benjamin B. Cassiday Jr., 6 Aug 1966
Col Charles C. Pattillo, 12 May 1967
Col Joseph C. Secino, 26 Mar 1968
Col Richard G. Cross Jr., 15 May 1968
Col Forrest L. Rauscher, 15 Jun 1969
BG Edwin W. Robertson II, 19 Nov 1969
Col Billy F. Rogers, 8 Oct 1971
BG Don H. Payne, 25 May 1972
BG Frederick C. Kyler, 31 Jul 1974
Col Perry M. Smith, 31 May 1978
Col Harold N. Campbell, 28 Feb 1979
Col Marcus A. Anderson, 15 Jan 1981
Col Richard L. Craft, 12 Jul 1982
BG Larry R. Keith, 26 Mar 1984
Col Peter D. Robinson, 25 Jan 1985
Col John A. Warden III, 19 Aug 1987
Col Jeffrey G. Cliver, 22 Jan 1988
Col John A. Judd, 4 Oct 1989
Col Ronald E. Keys, 11 Jul 1991
Col Jerry D. Hokkannen, 3 Aug 1992
BG Roger E. Carleton, 7 Oct 1992-Sep 1994
Col Dennis R. Larsen, 1 Oct 1994
Col John M. Deloney, 7 Aug 1995
Col William W. Hodges, 21 Feb 1997
Col Mark D. Gehri, 4 Feb 1999
Col Bernard H. Fullenkamp, 9 Jun 2000
Col Joseph F. Mudd Jr., 7 Jun 2002
Col Paul K. White, Jan 2004
Col Michael Boera, Jun 200
BG Douglas H. Owens, Oct 2006

HONORS

Service Streamers

None

Campaign Streamers

Southwest Asia

Defense of Saudi Arabia;

Liberation and Defense of Kuwait

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

None

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

[1] May 1956-[1] May 1958

1 Jan- 31 Dec 1968

1 Dec 1973-30 Apr 1975

1 Jul 1975-30 Jun 1977

1 Jul 1977- 30 Jun 1979

1 Jul 1986-30 Jun 1988

1 Jul 1988-30 Jun 1990

1 Sep 1990- 31 Jul 1991

30 Jun 1992-1 Jul 1994

1 Oct 1994-30 Sep 1996

1 Oct 1996-30 Sep 1997

1 Oct 1997-30 Sep 1999

1 Sep 2000-31 Aug 2002

1 Oct 2002-30 Sep 2004

1 Oct 2004-30 Sep 2005

Bestowed Honors

Authorized to display honors earned by the 36th Operations Group prior to 2 Jul 1948

Service Streamers

None

Campaign Streamers

World War II

Antisubmarine, American Theater

Air Offensive, Europe

Normandy

Northern France

Rhineland

Ardennes-Alsace

Central Europe

Air Combat, EAME Theater

Decorations

Distinguished Unit Citations

France, 1 Sep 1944

Germany, 12 Apr 1945

Cited in the Order of the Day, Belgian Army
1 Oct-17 Dec 1944
18 Dec 1944-15 Jan 1945

Belgian Fourragere

Luxembourg Croix de Guerre [1944]-1945

EMBLEM





Approved, 19 Jun 1940 for 36th Group and, 17 Jul 1952 for 36th Wing.

MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

Wing headquarters activated in the Canal Zone but was not manned because of pending movement to Europe.

The 36th Fighter Wing activated 2 Jul 1948, and the 36th Fighter Group was assigned to the wing, with the group forming the nucleus of the wing. The wing was assigned to Furstenfeldbruck Air Base, West Germany.

Formed the Skyblazers aerial demonstration team in May 1949 and controlled it until Aug 1952, and again from Oct 1956 to Jan 1962.

In addition to its primary installation (Bitburg AB, Germany), the wing controlled Oberpfaffenhofen AB, Germany, Dec 1949-Feb 1950, and Spangdahlem AB, Germany, Sep 1969-Dec 1971.

Assumed logistical responsibility for Ground Launched Cruise Missile base closure at Florennes, Belgium in 1989, arranging and accompanying Soviet Inspection Team visits to insure compliance with Intermediate Nuclear Forces Treaty.

Deployed 53d Fighter Squadron, additional pilots and aircraft from the 22d and 525th Fighter Squadrons, and support personnel to Southwest Asia, Dec 1990- Jul 1991, to assist in UN operations to liberate Kuwait. Wing pilots were credited with seventeen enemy combat aircraft destroyed.

Maintained Andersen AFB manpower, facilities, and equipment to support airlift and strategic and tactical staging operations, 1 Oct 1994.

In September 1996, the wing provided around-the-clock forward-deployment support to Air Combat Command B-52s during their operation Desert Strike missions over Iraq, and began hosting more than 6,600 Kurdish evacuees during the 8-month humanitarian assistance mission, Joint Task Force Pacific Haven.

In 2004, the 36th Air Base Wing became the 36th Air Expeditionary Wing. As the host unit at Andersen Air Force Base, Guam, the 36th Air Expeditionary Wing has an expansive mission that relies on the Team Andersen concept to provide the highest quality peacetime and wartime support to project global power and reach from our vital location in the Pacific. The wing's goals are based on its vision – Pacific center for power projection, regional cooperation and multinational training.

Air Force Order of Battle

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