

## **48<sup>th</sup> FORCE SUPPORT SQUADRON**



### **MISSION**

#### **LINEAGE**

48<sup>th</sup> Food Service Squadron constituted, 25 Jun 1952

Activated, 10 Jul 1952

Discontinued and inactivated, 15 Jan 1962

Redesignated 48<sup>th</sup> Services Squadron, 21 Aug 1981

Activated, 1 Oct 1981

Redesignated 48<sup>th</sup> Morale, Welfare, Recreation and Services Squadron, 1 Sep 1992

Redesignated 48<sup>th</sup> Services Squadron, 15 Jan 1994

Redesignated 48<sup>th</sup> Force Support Squadron, 29 Jul 2008

#### **STATIONS**

Chaumont AB, France, 10 Jul 1952

RAF Lakenheath, England, 15 Jan 1960-15 Jan 1962

RAF Lakenheath, England, 1 Oct 1981

#### **ASSIGNMENTS**

48<sup>th</sup> Air Base Group, 10 Jul 1952-15 Jan 1962

48<sup>th</sup> Combat Support (later, 48<sup>th</sup> Support; 48<sup>th</sup> Mission Support) Group, 1 Oct 1981

#### **COMMANDERS**

1Lt Kenneth G. Conrad, 10 Jul 1952  
WOJG Harold L. Brock, Jun 1953  
Maj Hoy C. Cole, 7 Jun 1955  
1Lt Howard J. Tyson, 13 Jul 1955  
1Lt Robert L. Borod, 16 Sep 1956  
1Lt Earl R. Murphy, 28 Nov 1957  
1Lt Fritz C. Friday, 11 Jan 1958  
Unknown, 1 Jul 1958 – 15 Jan 1962  
Maj David F. Honeycutt, 1 Oct 1981  
Maj William L. Melrose, 19 Nov 1982  
Capt Ronald D. Rasmussen, Jr., 15 Jul 1985  
1Lt Timothy D. Knipe, 27 Jun 1986  
Maj R. T. Parker, 1 Nov 1986  
Maj Patricia A. Varner, 28 Dec 1987  
Maj Leighton D. Costilow, 17 Jul 1990  
LTC Lewis E. McBride III, 20 Aug 1992  
Maj Michael A. O'Dell, 13 Jan 1994  
LTC Michael D. Bradley, 6 May 1997  
LTC Michelle S. Atchison, 27 May 1997  
LTC Kimberly A. Toney, 25 Mar 1999  
LTC Melissa R. Kallet, 12 Jan 2001  
Maj Stephen M. Dale, 22 Feb 2001  
LTC Kerry L. Beaghams, 5 Jun 2003  
Maj Serena Armstrong, 23 May 2005  
LTC Derrick A. Aiken, 7 Jul 2006

## **HONORS**

### **Service Streamers**

None

### **Campaign Streamers**

None

### **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

None

## **Decorations**

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award

1 Jul 1984-30 Jun 1986

1 Jul 1986-30 Jun 1988

1 Jul 1988-30 Jun 1990

20 Aug 1990-11 May 1991

1 Jul 1992-30 Jun 1994

1 Jul 1994-30 Jun 1996

1 Aug 1996-30 Sep 1998  
1 Oct 2000-24 Sep 2002  
1 Oct 2002-30 Sep 2004  
1 Oct 2004-31 Oct 2005  
1 Nov 2005-31 Dec 2006

Navy Meritorious Unit Commendation  
Libya, 10-16 Apr 1986

#### **EMBLEM**

Blue and yellow are the colors used for Air Force and red symbolizes life and action. Stars are emblematic of Military Leadership and interlacing connotes a strong support. The center star represents the unit and the six sided hexagon refers to the basic functional responsibilities. The three stars upon the trefoils, symbols of unity, represent Consumer Affairs and along with the above symbolize the overall mission of the 48th Services Squadron. (Approved, 15 Apr 1982)

#### **MOTTO**

SERVICE WITHOUT SERVITUDE

#### **NICKNAME**

#### **OPERATIONS**

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