

## 48<sup>th</sup> MISSION SUPPORT GROUP



### MISSION

#### LINEAGE

48<sup>th</sup> Air Base Group established, 25 Jun 1952  
Activated, 10 Jul 1952  
Redesignated 48<sup>th</sup> Combat Support Group, 15 Jan 1962  
Redesignated 48<sup>th</sup> Support Group, 31 Mar 1992  
Redesignated 48<sup>th</sup> Mission Support Group, 25 Sep 2002

#### STATIONS

Chaumont Air Base, France, 10 Jul 1952  
RAF Lakenheath, England, 15 Jan 1960

#### ASSIGNMENTS

48<sup>th</sup> Fighter-Bomber (later, 48<sup>th</sup> Tactical Fighter, 48<sup>th</sup> Fighter) Wing, 10 Jul 1952

#### COMMANDERS

Col Walter L. Wheeler, 10 Jul 1952  
LTC Ray A. Robinson, Jr., 24 Jul 1953  
Col Lynn R. Moore, Dec 1953  
Col William L. Leverette, 22 Jul 1954  
Col Theodore H. Runyon, Jun 1956  
Col William C. Plott, 13 Jul 1956  
Col Edward F. Roddy, 1 Dec 1957

LTC Thomas C. McGuire, 15 Jan 1960  
Col Evans G. Stephens, 11 Jul 1960  
LTC Harold D. Collins, 5 Jul 1963  
Col Robert E. Carlson, 22 Jul 1963  
Col Robert A. O'Donnell, 1965  
LTC David T. Mold, 17 Jun 1967  
Col Joseph R. Struby, 1 Aug 1967  
Col Stephen A. Farris, Jr., 14 Aug 1968  
Col Edward R. Johnston, 10 Jul 1970  
Col Louis A. Babbitt, 1 Jun 1974  
Col Robert I. Paltenberg, 1 Dec 1975  
Col James E. Kelm, 8 May 1978  
Col Merle E. Bollenbach, 9 May 1980  
Col Henry R. Becker, 2 Aug 1982  
Col Keith N. Lacey III, 27 Jan 1984  
Col Dwight M. Kealoha, 1 Jun 1985  
Col William E. Dunnivant, 1 Jul 1986  
Col George D. Westover, 1 Jul 1988  
LTC Robert M. Timmons, 21 Jun 1989  
Col Richard Davis, 23 Feb 1990  
Col Walter E. Buchanan III, 14 Jul 1992  
Col Larry G. Carter, 14 Apr 1993  
Col Rulon L. Brough, 21 Jul 1995  
LTC Donald A. Gemeinhardt, 28 May 1997  
Col Stuart M. Ehrlich, 15 Jul 1997  
Col Mark D. Perodeau, 21 Jul 1999  
Col Donald M. Palandech, 6 Jul 2001  
Col Neal B. McElhannon, 28 Jul 2003  
Col Amanda Gladney, 11 Aug 2005  
Col John G. Clarke, 20 Jun 2007

## **HONORS**

### **Service Streamers**

None

### **Campaign Streamers**

Southwest Asia

Defense of Saudi Arabia 1990 – 1991

Liberation and Defense of Kuwait 1991

### **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

None

## **Decorations**

## Air Force Outstanding Unit Award

1 Jul 1961 – 29 Feb 1964

1 Jul 1966 – 30 Jun 1968

14 Oct 1976 – 31 Dec 1977

1 Apr 1978 – 31 Mar 1980

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 1994 – 30 Jun 1996

1 Aug 1996 – 30 Sep 1998

\*\*[14 April] – 10 Jun 1999

1 Oct 1998 – 30 Sep 2000

1 Oct 2002 – 30 Sep 2004

1 Oct 2004 – 31 Oct 2005

1 Nov 2005 – 31 Dec 2006

\*Honors earned as the 48TFW (Provisional)

\*\*Honors Conferred from the 48th Expeditionary Support Group-Noble Anvil.

## EMBLEM

## MOTTO

## NICKNAME

## OPERATIONS

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