3555 FLYING TRAINING WING



MISSION

LINEAGE

3555 Pilot Training Wing (Basic) Aug 1948 3555 Combat Crew Training Wing (Interceptor) Redesignated 3555 Flying Training Wing (Advanced Interceptor), 1 Aug 1958

STATIONS

Perrin AFB, TX

ASSIGNMENTS

WEAPON SYSTEMS

F-86

F-102

COMMANDERS

Col Thomas B. Whitehouse Col John M. Thacker, #1959

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

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OPERATIONS



Col Thomas B. Whitehouse, 3555 CCTW commander, ca 1954.



In 1958, when SAC and TAC took responsibility for conduct of their combat crew training, ADC had refused the opportunity to train pilots as all-weather interceptor crews, so that mission had remained in ATC. Then, in March 1962, Air Defense Command decided it wanted to merge Perrin's interceptor assets with other air defense resources. The plan was to use Perrin to provide tactical alert training. Air Defense Command acquired Perrin AFB, Texas, on 1 July and with it the 3555th Flying Training Wing on the same date, ADC discontinued the 3555th and, using the wing's assets, formed the 4780th Air Defense Wing (Training). 1962

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