

67 MISSILE SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE

67 Bombardment Squadron (Heavy) constituted, 20 Nov 1940
Activated, 15 Jan 1941
Redesignated 67 Bombardment Squadron, Very Heavy, 5 Aug 1945
Inactivated, 12 Jul 1946
Activated, 1 Jul 1947
Inactivated, 6 Sep 1948
Redesignated 67 Bombardment Squadron, Medium, 20 Dec 1950
Activated, 2 Jan 1951
Discontinued, 15 Jun 1960
Redesignated 67 Strategic Missile Squadron (ICBM-Minuteman), 26 Feb 1962
Organized, 1 Aug 1962
Redesignated 67 Missile Squadron
Inactivated, 15 Aug 1992

STATIONS

MacDill Field, FL, 15 Jan 1941
Barksdale Field, LA, 9 Feb 1942
Will Rogers Field, OK, 21 Jul-25 Aug 1942
Cheddington, England, 10 Sep 1942
Shipdham, England, c. 10 Oct 1942-15 Jun 1945 (detachments operated from Benina, Libya, 28 June 13 Aug 1943, and Tunis, Tunisia, 19 Sep-9 Oct 1943)
Sioux Falls AAFld, SD, 26 Jun 1945

Great Bend AAFld, KS, 24 Jul 1945
Smoky Hill AAFld, KS, 12 Dec 1945-12 Jul 1946
Andrews Field, MD, 1 Jul 1947-6 Sep 1948
March AFB, CA, 2 Jan 1951-1 Aug 1951
Lake Charles AFB, LA, 8 Aug 1951-15 Jun 1960
Ellsworth AFB, SD, 1 Aug 1962

ASSIGNMENTS

44 Bombardment Group, 15 Jan 1941-12 Jul 1946
44 Bombardment Group, 1 Jul 1947-6 Sep 1948
44 Bombardment Group, 2 Jan 1951
44 Bombardment Wing, 16 Jun 1959
Department of the Air Force, 15 Jun 1960
Strategic Air Command, 26 Feb 1962
44 Strategic Missile Wing, 1 Aug 1962
44 Operations Group, 1 Sep 1991

WEAPON SYSTEMS

B-24, 1942-1945
B-29, 1945-1946
B-29, 1951-1953
B-47, 1953-1960
LGM-30B Minuteman I, 1963-1973
LGM-30F Minuteman II, 1972-1992

COMMANDERS

Lt Col James F. Sapp, #1954

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Antisubmarine, American Theater
Air Offensive, Europe
Sicily
Naples-Foggia
Normandy
Northern France
Rhineland
Ardennes-Alsace
Central Europe
Air Combat, EAME Theater

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Distinguished Unit Citations
Kiel, Germany, 14 May 1943
Ploesti, Rumania, 1Aug 1943

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award
1 Jul 1969-30 Jun 1970
9 Jun-10 Jul 1972
1 Jul 1974-30 Jun 1976
30 May 1990-29 May 1992

EMBLEM



Over and through a medium blue disc, a caricatured pelican light blue, white, and black, bill and feet yellow, wearing brown aviator's goggles, diving toward sinister base, dumping out one of three red aerial bombs, trimmed black, held in pouch of bill, all emitting white speed lines to rear. (Approved, 12 Jul 1943)

eluding of European skies by American made bombers attests to the growing concern that may well be felt by Axis pirateers. To the sterling worth of Uncle Sam's personnel and materials, the resolute sky fighters of the Royal Air Force have had occasion to pay tribute. After having been practically blasted to bits during a recent windmill height operation over Nazi-occupied Holland, an American bomber and crew landed safely back in England. When the 67 Bombardment Squadron was grouped at Barksdale Field, Shreveport, La., its desire for appropriate insignie was supplied by artists of the Walt Disney Studios. The duties of its personnel as bombardiers, machine gunners, radio operators and navigators was thought to be best expressed in composite interpretation by a huge pelican adept at traveling long distances, carrying bombs in his beak and unloading them at will on enemy targets.



67 Strategic Missile Squadron (ICBM-Minuteman) On a blue disc bordered yellow a white missile descending to dexter base with black markings mounted by a white pelican with black markings and details, yellow beak and feet, red tongue, wearing brown goggles and trailing white arched vapor trails. Attached below the disc a blank white scroll edged yellow. **SIGNIFICANCE:** The pelican represents the state bird of Louisiana, the state in which the squadron received its training. His characteristics symbolize ruggedness, determination, ability to carry heavy loads, and endurance. The missile represents today's weaponry and the fact that the squadron is charged with maintaining combat readiness to conduct strategic missile warfare. (Approved, 26 Aug 1968)

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OPERATIONS

Operational training unit, Feb-Jun 1942; antisubmarine operations, 28 Jan 42 Jul 1942; combat in ETO and MTO, 20 Dec 1942-25 Apr 1945.

Apparently not manned, 1 Jul 1947-6 Sep 1948.

Operational and replacement training unit, 1 Oct 1951-31 Aug 1952.

Trained for operations with Minuteman, 1 Aug 1962.

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