

83rd AIR TRANSPORT SQUADRON

MISSION

LINEAGE

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STATIONS

Dow AFB, Bangor, ME

Grenier AFB, NH

ASSIGNMENTS

WEAPON SYSTEMS

C-54

COMMANDERS

LTC Fred W. Vetter, Jr., #1954

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

The story of the 83rd Air Transport Squadron is a story that we in the 83rd take pride in telling. For as the Grenier Album goes to press in May, the 83rd is in its 15th month of accident free operation and in each of those months, the squadron has met its MATS flying commitment 100%. Each and every month, the Atlantic Division Progress Bulletin has recorded the undeniable facts of a squadron operating at peak efficiency.

The 83rd A.T.S. was activated at Dow AFB, Bangor, Me., in September of 1952. Under then Maj. Fred W. Vetter, the outfit was in full operation by November. In June, 1953, under direction of the commander, now a Lieutenant Colonel, the 83rd completed an amazing en masse move from Dow to Grenier without missing a commitment.

Air Force Order of Battle

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