

84th FIGHTER GROUP (AIR DEFENSE)

MISSION

LINEAGE

84th Bombardment Group (Light) constituted, 13 Jan 1942

Activated, 10 Feb 1942

Redesignated 84th Bombardment Group (Dive), Jul 1942

84th Fighter Bomber Group, Aug 1943

Disbanded, 1 Apr 1944

Reconstituted, redesignated 84th Fighter Group (All-Weather) and allotted to the reserve,
26 May 1949

Activated, 1 Jun 1949

Ordered into active service, 1 Jun 1951

Inactivated, 2 Jun 1951

Redesignated 84th Fighter Group (Air Defense)

Activated, 18 Aug 1955

STATIONS

Savannah AB, GA, 10 Feb 1942

Drew Field, FL, 7 Feb 1943

Harding Field, LA, 4 Oct 1943-1 Apr 1944

Mitchel AFB, NY, 1 Jun 1949

McGuire AFB, NJ, 10 Oct 1949-2 Jun 1951

Geiger Field, WA, 18 Aug 1955

ASSIGNMENTS

Third Air Force

Second Air Force, Nov 1943

Air Defense Command

WEAPON SYSTEMS

A-24, 1942

P-47, 1943
F-86,

COMMANDERS

Maj Augustus Nelson, 10 Feb 1942
Col Philo G. Meisenholder, Mar 1942
LTC Harry R. Melton Jr., Aug 1942
LTC John R. Kelly, Dec 1942
LTC Paul A. Zartman, 31 Jan 1943
Col Reginald F. C. Vance, 15 Aug 1943
LTC William D. Gilchrist, Sep 1943-1944
Col Grover C. Willcox Jr, 18 Aug 1955
Col Lester J. Johnson, #1964

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

American Theater

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

None

EMBLEM

Azure, a flash in pale between in dexter chief a gun sight and in sinister base a drop bomb palewise, all or. (Approved, 22 Jan 1943)

MOTTO

CURSUM PERFICIO— I Accomplish My Course

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

Served as an operational training and a replacement training unit. Also participated in demonstrations and maneuvers.

Air Force Order of Battle

Created: 5 Mar 2012

Updated:

Sources

Air Force Historical Research Agency. U.S. Air Force. Maxwell AFB, AL.
Unit history. *25th NORAD Region. 1963.*