

# 237<sup>th</sup> FLIGHT FACILITIES FLIGHT

## **MISSION**

Air Traffic Control is the sole mission of the unit.

## **LINEAGE**

237th Airways and Air Communications Service Operations Flight received Federal recognition, 3 Nov 1952

Redesignated 237<sup>th</sup> Mobile Communications Flight, Jun 1961

Redesignated 237<sup>th</sup> Flight Facilities Flight, Apr 1966

## **STATIONS**

Holman Field

St. Paul, MN, 1958

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

242nd Communications Squadron

## **COMMANDERS**

1LT Budd F. Miller

Cpt William D. Flaskamp

1LT James T. Gowan

Cpt Harold V. P-Kach

Maj James N. Pursley, #1971

## **HONORS**

**Service Streamers**

**Campaign Streamers**

**Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

**Decorations**

## **EMBLEM**

## **EMBLEM SIGNIFICANCE**

## **MOTTO**

## **NICKNAME**

## **OPERATIONS**

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Commanders include the following officers in the order of their service: Lt. Budd F. Miller, Capt. William D. Flaskamp, Lt. James T. Gowan, Capt. Harold V. T<sup>1</sup>- Kach and Maj. James N. Pursley.

The 237th made the move to Minneapolis-St. Paul International Airport in 1958. In June of 1961 the unit was renamed the 237th Mobile Communications Flight. Upon activation the unit was assigned to the 242nd Communications Squadron.

The year 1965 was a banner one for this flight. The Western Communications Region, the intermediate gaining command, presented its Outstanding Unit Award to the 237th. The Air Force Communications Service Air Reserves Outstanding Unit Award was the next 1965 award. The unit also won the National Guard Bureau Achievement Award for an Outstanding OJT Program.

In April 1966, the 237th was redesignated as the 237th Flight Facilities Flight. The total strength of the unit was increased in 1968 to three officers and fifty-nine airmen. Tactical Communications Area selected the flight as the Outstanding unit for 1968.

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