

## 328 WEAPONS SQUADRON



### MISSION

#### LINEAGE

328 Bombardment Squadron (Heavy) constituted, 28 Jan 1942

Activated, 1 Mar 1942

Redesignated 328 Bombardment Squadron, Heavy, 20 Aug 1943

Redesignated 328 Bombardment Squadron, Very Heavy, 23 May 1945

Redesignated 328 Bombardment Squadron, Medium, 28 May 1948

Redesignated 328 Bombardment Squadron, Heavy, 1 Feb 1955

Redesignated 328 Bomb Squadron, 1 Sep 1991

Inactivated, 15 Jun 1994

Redesignated 328 Weapons Squadron, 24 Jan 2003

Activated, 3 Feb 2003

Changed status from a unit of United States Air Force to a unit of United States Space Force, 21 Oct 2020

#### STATIONS

Barksdale Field, LA, 1 Mar 1942

Ft Myers, FL, 18 May-13 Aug 1942

Alconbury, England, 7 Sep 1942

Hardwick, England, 6 Dec 1942-15 Jun 1945

Tafaraoui, Algeria, 7-15 Dec 1942

Gambut, Libya, 16 Dec 1942-25 Feb 1943

Bengasi (Benghazi), Libya, 27 Jun-26 Aug 1943

Oudna, Tunisia, 18 Sep-3 Oct 1943

Sioux Falls AAFld, SD, 26 Jun 1945  
Pratt AAFld, KS, 24 Jul 1945  
Clovis AAFld, NM, 13 Dec 1945  
Castle Field (later, AFB), CA, 21 Jun 1946-15 Jun 1994  
Nellis AFB, NV, 3 Feb 2003

### **DEPLOYED STATIONS**

Mildenhall, England, 11 Dec 1951-26 Feb 1952

### **ASSIGNMENTS**

93 Bombardment Group, 1 Mar 1942  
93 Bombardment Wing, attached 10 Feb 1951, assigned 16 Jun 1952  
93 Operations Group, 1 Sep 1991-15 Jun 1994  
USAF Weapons School, 3 Feb 2003  
United States Space Force (formerly Air Force Space Command; later Space Operations Command), 7 Aug 2020 (attached to Space Training and Readiness Delta [Provisional], 7 Aug 2020-21 Oct 2020)  
Space Delta 1, 23 Aug 2021

### **WEAPON SYSTEMS**

B-24, 1942-1945  
B-29, 1945-1949  
B-50, 1949-1954  
B-47, 1954-1955  
B-52, 1955-1994

### **COMMANDERS**

Capt Addison E. Baker, 26 Mar 1942  
Capt Joseph H. Tate Jr., 1 Mar 1943  
Capt Roy G. Martin, c. 15 Dec 1943  
Maj George O. McCafferty, 26 Jun 1944  
Maj Wayne M. Beumeler, 11 Sep 1944  
Maj John R. Dowswell, 26 Sep 1944  
Capt Earl L. Hehn Jr., c15 Jul 1945  
Maj Clarence J. Jackson, 29 Sep 1945  
Maj Everett E. Zweifel, Aug 1947  
Maj Howard E. Brown, Oct 1947  
Lt Col Jack D. Whitten, unkn  
Lt Col Everette E. Zweifel, by Mar 1948  
Lt Col Louis S. Sowers, 29 Jan 1949  
Lt Col William E. Keefer, 19 Feb 1950  
Lt Col Paul H. Francis, 15 Nov 1950  
Lt Col William J. Simons, 1 Sep 1951  
Lt Col Robert G. Smith, 5 Jun 1953

Lt Col Kenneth R. Rea, 1 Jun 1954  
Lt Col Stuart M. Abrams, 26 Sep 1956  
Lt Col Eldridge Shelton, 18 Sep 1957  
Lt Col James Q. McColl, 15 Nov 1958  
Lt Col James H. Morriss, Jul 1960  
Lt Col Francis J. O'Sullivan, Sep 1961  
Lt Col Leslie W. Brockwell, Jan 1964  
Col Franklin G. Rhoades, 1 Jul 1966  
Col Jesse C. McIntire, by Mar 1967  
Lt Col Pat H. Bass, Oct 1968  
Lt Col Laverne L. Berneberg, Dec 1968  
Lt Col Paul Cottrell, 6 Oct 1970  
Lt Col William E. Flanigin, 7 Oct 1970  
Col Jesse C. McIntire, 20 Dec 1971  
Lt Col Dean O. Gilstrap, 12 Jul 1972  
Col Michael J. Sverha, 5 Feb 1973  
Lt Col Rodric J. Himebaugh, 4 Feb 1974  
Lt Col Charles W. Richey, 1 May 1975  
Lt Col James D. Hoopaw, 13 Jul 1976  
Lt Col John R. Johnson, 26 Jul 1977  
Lt Col Stephen C. Musselman, 22 May 1978  
Lt Col Simon A Danigole Jr., 23 Jul 1979  
Lt Col Steve R. Smith, 6 Nov 1981  
Lt Col Stuart E. MacTaggart, 26 Jul 1984  
Lt Col Phillip R. Lumpkin, 29 Jul 1985  
Lt Col Wallace G. Herzog, 20 Aug 1986  
Lt Col Stan G. Weir, 19 Aug 1988  
Lt Col Gregory D. Coffey, 16 Feb 1990  
Lt Col Jeffrey J. Parker, 1 Nov 1990  
Lt Col Logan R. Kelly, 7 Jun 1991  
Lt Col Jerry L. Maxwell, 2 Mar 1992  
Lt Col Harry B. McCarraher III, 28 Jan 1994  
Maj Warren Montgomery, 27 May-11 Jun 1994  
None (not manned), 11-15 Jun 1994

## **HONORS**

### **Service Streamers**

### **Campaign Streamers**

World War II

Antisubmarine, American Theater

Egypt-Libya

Tunisia

Sicily

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

Southwest Asia  
Defense of Saudi Arabia  
Liberation and Defense of Kuwait

### **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

#### **Decorations**

Distinguished Unit Citations  
North Africa, 17 Dec 1942-20 Feb 1943  
Ploesti, Rumania, 1 Aug 1943

#### Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

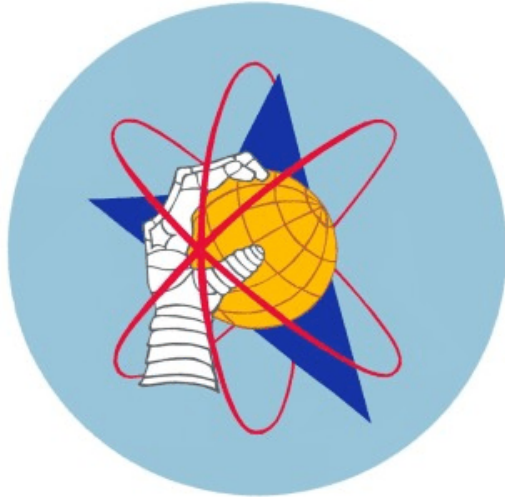
1 Jan 1956-1 Jul 1959  
1 Jun 1962-1 Apr 1963  
1 Jul 1971-30 Jun 1972  
1 Apr 1973-30 Jun 1974  
1 Jul 1983-30 Jun 1985  
1 Jul 1988-30 Jun 1990  
1 Jul 1990-29 May 1992  
2 Aug 1990-11 Apr 1991  
30 May 1992-29 May 1994  
3 Mar-31 May 2003  
1 Jun 2004-31 May 2006  
1 Jun 2010-31 May 2012  
1 Jun 2012-31 May 2013  
1 Jun 2013-31 May 2015  
1 Jun 2020-31 May 2021

#### **EMBLEM**



In February 1943, Captain John E. Stewart, an architect and amateur artist in civil life, designed our squadron insignia. After much traveling in the U.S., our trip to the E.T.O. and the trip to the desert in Africa, it seemed as if we were destined to encircle the globe (in our pregnant whales-B-24s) on behalf of Uncle Sam. The 93 Bombardment Group then acquired the name of "Ted's Flying Circus." The multi-colored designed of our insignia was well in keeping with the name. Since the adoption of this insignia, the Squadron has travelled back and forth from the United Kingdom to North Africa and the Middle East. As Hitler's Reich continues to dwindle, our insignia remains, the symbol of our missions.





328 Weapons Squadron emblem: On a disc Celeste, a delta bendwise point downward to sinister base Azure, surmounted by a mailed hand Argent, detailed Silver Gray, grasping a globe Or, edged and gridlined of the second, axis bend sinister and all encircled by three orbits in an atomic pattern, all within a narrow border Blue. Attached below the disc, a White scroll edged with a narrow Blue border and inscribed "328 WEAPONS SQUADRON" in Blue letters. **SIGNIFICANCE:** Ultramarine blue and Air Force yellow are the Air Force colors. Blue alludes to the sky, the primary theater of Air Force operations. Yellow refers to the sun and the excellence required of Air Force personnel. The delta represents the application of Air Force power in and through space. The gridlined globe represents space power providing worldwide, persistent combat effects to friendly forces. The orbit rings represent the orbits in which spacecraft fly. The mailed hand represents both peace and might, and its holding of the globe indicates space power's effect on adversary forces over the entire world. (Approved, 12 Apr 1955, latest rendering, 4 Sep 2007)

Space Force emblem approved, 31 Jul 2023

## MOTTO

## OPERATIONS

Antisubmarine patrols, May 1942-Aug 1942; combat in ETO and MTO, 9 Oct 1942-25 Apr 1945. Participated in the first globe-encircling nonstop flight in Jan 1957. Provided B-52 combat crew training for SAC, through the 1960s and 1970s. Deployed personnel and equipment to Diego Garcia, Saudi Arabia, Spain, and England, 1990-1991; combat in Southwest Asia, Jan-Feb 1991.

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