

449th EXPEDITIONARY FLYING TRAINING SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE

449th Bombardment Squadron, Medium constituted, 19 Jun 1942

Activated, 17 Jul 1942

Inactivated, 11 Dec 1945

Redesignated 449th Bombardment Squadron, Light, 13 Aug 1947

Activated in the Reserve, 4 Oct 1947

Inactivated, 27 Jun 1949

Redesignated 449th Flying Training Squadron, 28 Jul 1972

Activated, 1 Apr 1973

Inactivated, 15 Jul 1988

Redesignated 449th Expeditionary Flying Training Squadron, and converted to a provisional status, 28 Oct 2008

Air Combat Command to activate or inactivate at any time on or after 28 Oct 2008

STATIONS

MacDill Field, FL, 17 Jul 1942

Drane Field, FL, 22 Sep 1942

Camp Kilmer, NJ, 15-23 Nov 1942

Rougham Airdrome, Bury St Edmunds, England, 1 Dec 1942

Great Saling (later, Andrews Field), England, 12 Jun 1943

Beauvais/Tille, France, 29 Sep 1944

Le Culot, Belgium, 31 Mar 1945

Hanau/Langendiebach, Germany, Jul 1945

Fritzlar, Germany, Sep 1945

Clastres, France, 1 Oct-2 Dec 1945
Camp Kilmer, NJ, 9-11 Dec 1945
Northeast Mun Aprt, Philadelphia, PA, 4 Oct 1947-27 Jun 1949
Mather AFB, CA, 1 Apr 1973-15 Jul 1988

ASSIGNMENTS

322nd Bombardment Group, Medium, 17 Jul 1942-11 Dec 1945
322nd Bombardment Group, Light, 4 Oct 1947-27 Jun 1949
323rd Flying Training Wing, 1 Apr 1973-15 Jul 1988

WEAPON SYSTEMS

B-26, 1942-1945
B-26C
B-26B
B-26F
B-26G
AT-6, 1947-1949
AT-11, 1947-1949
T-29, 1973-1974
T-37, 1973-1988
T-43, 1973-1988

COMMANDERS

None, not manned, 17 Jul-6 Aug 1942
Maj Ervin H. Berry, 7 Aug 1942
Cpt Benjamin G. Willis, 4 Mar 1943
Maj Ervin H. Berry, 22 Mar 1943
LTC Benjamin G. Willis, 26 May 1943
Maj John C. Ruse, 18 Dec 1944
Maj Lee J. Guilbeau, 23 Aug 1945-unkn
LTC Edward J. Walz, 4 Oct 1947
Maj Herman S. Zahn, c. Jul 1948-unkn
Maj Lester Hunter, 19 Jun 1973
LTC George W. Engel Jr., Aug 1973
Maj Thomas M. Inman, 9 Jul 1974 (interim)
LTC William T. Dewey, 15 Jul 1974
LTC Paul A. Signet, 4 Oct 1976
LTC James A. Ratcliffe, 10 Jun 1978
LTC William W. Miller, 7 Jun 1980
LTC David T. Howe, 24 Jun 1982
LTC Glen A. Kenderick, 31 May 1984
LTC Kirby E. Allen, 30 Oct 1985
LTC Donald W. Frazee, 12 Jan 1987-15 Jul 1988

HONORS

Service Streamers

None

Campaign Streamers

World War II

Air Offensive, Europe

Normandy

Northern France

Rhineland

Ardennes-Alsace

Central Europe

Air Combat, EAME Theater

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

None

Decorations

Distinguished Unit Citation

European Theater of Operation, [17 Jul] 1943-24 Jul 1944

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

1 Apr-31 Dec 1973

1 Jan 1976-28 Feb 1977

1 Jan 1978-30 Apr 1979

1 Jan 1980-30 Apr 1981

EMBLEM



Approved, 30 May 1973

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OPERATIONS

Not operational, Jul-Aug 1942. Trained for combat, 1942-1943. Combat in European Theater of Operations (ETO), 17 Jul 1943-24 Apr 1945, for which the unit received the Distinguished Unit Citation (DUC). Transferred aircraft and crews to other units, May 1945. Disarmament of German Air Force, Jul-Sep 1945. In the organized Reserve, 1947-1949. Conducted undergraduate navigator training for USAF, United States Navy (USN), United States Marine Corps (USMC) and United States allies, 1973-1988.

Air Force Order of Battle

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Sources

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