

# 1<sup>st</sup> WEATHER GROUP



## LINEAGE

1<sup>st</sup> Weather Group constituted, 29 Aug 1945  
Activated, 20 Sep 1945  
Became inoperative (a paper organization), 1 Jan 1948  
Inactivated, 31 May 1948  
Activated, 20 Apr 1952  
Inactivated, 8 Oct 1956  
Activated, 16 Jun 1966  
Inactivated, 30 Jun 1972

## STATIONS

Adjacent to Fort William McKinley, Manila, Philippines, 20 Sep 1945  
Tokyo, Japan, 16 May 1946  
Offutt AFB, NE, 20 Apr 1952  
Tan Son Nhut AB, Vietnam, 8 Jul 1966

## ASSIGNMENTS

43<sup>rd</sup> Weather Wing, 29 Sep 1941  
Headquarters Army Air Forces Weather Service, 15 Oct 1945  
Air Weather Service, 20 Apr 1952  
1<sup>st</sup> Weather Wing, 8 Jul 1966

## COMMANDERS

LTC Merrill E. Marston, 24 Sep 1945

Col James T. Seaver, Jr., 20 Apr 1952  
Col Frederick J. Cole, Jun 1953  
Col David L. Hopkins (temporary), 23 May 1955  
Col Fredrick J. Cole, 11 Aug 1955  
Col David L. Hopkins (temporary), Jan 1956  
Col Frederick J. Cole, 28 Jan 1956  
Col Lewis J. Neyland, 8 Jul 1966  
Col Robert B. Hughes, 1 Mar 1967  
Col Edwin E. Carmell, 22 Jul 1967  
Col Griffin H. Wood, 14 Jan 1968  
Col Daniel B. Mitchell, 12 Jan 1969  
Col Leonard E. Zapinski, 7 Jan 1970  
Col Wilson V. Palmore, 16 Dec 1970  
Col Mortimer F. Bennet, 10 Mar 1971  
Col Boyce M. Smith, 2 Dec 1971  
Col Berry W. Rowe, 22 Jan 1972

## **HONORS**

### **Service Streamers**

Asiatic-Pacific Theater, World War II, 7 Dec 1941-2 Mar 1946

### **Campaign Streamers**

Campaign Streamers for Vietnam Air Offensive, 29 Jun 1966-8 Mar 1967 (1 WG participation started 8 Jul 1966)  
Vietnam Air Offensive, Phase II, 9 Mar 1967-31 Mar 1968  
Vietnam Air Offensive, Phase III, 1 Apr-31 Oct 1968  
Vietnam Air/Ground, 22 Jan-7 Jul 1968  
Vietnam Air Offensive, Phase IV, 1 Nov 1968-22 Feb 1969  
TET 69/Counteroffensive, 23 Feb-8 Jun 1969  
Vietnam Summer-Fall, 1969, 9 Jun-31 Oct 1969  
Vietnam Winter-Spring, 1970, 1 Nov 1969-30 Apr 1970  
Sanctuary Counteroffensive, 1 May-30 Jun 1970  
Southwest Monsoon, 1 Jul-30 Nov 1970  
Commando Hunt V, 1 Dec 1970-14 May 1971  
Commando Hunt VI, 15 May-31 Oct 1971  
Commando Hunt VII, 1 Nov 1971-29 Mar 1972

### **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

### **Decorations**

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award "V" Device  
1 Jan-31 Dec 1971  
1 Jul 1970-30 Jun 1972

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award  
8 Jul 1966-1 Jul 1967

2 Jul 1967-30 Jun 1969

Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Cross, with Palm

8 Jul 1968-30 Jun 1972

**EMBLEM**

Approved, 5 Jan 1967 (authorized use of the parent 1st Weather Wing's emblem with 1st Weather Group designation on emblem scroll.

**MOTTO**

**NICKNAME**

**OPERATIONS**

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