

3rd COMPONENT MAINTENANCE SQUADRON



LINEAGE

3rd Armament and Electronics Maintenance Squadron constituted, 6 Feb 1959

Activated, 15 May 1959

Discontinued and inactivated, 8 Jan 1964

Activated, 8 Jan 1964

Organized, 9 Jan 1964

Redesignated 3rd Avionics Maintenance Squadron, 1 Jan 1969

Redesignated 3rd Component Repair Squadron, 1 Jun 1977

Inactivated, 19 Dec 1991

Activated, 1 Oct 1993

Redesignated 3rd Component Maintenance Squadron, 30 Sep 2002

STATIONS

Johnson AB, Japan, 15 May 1959

Yokota AB, Japan, 18 Nov 1960-8 Jan 1964

England AB, LA, 9 Jan 1964-8 Nov 1965

Bien Hoa AB, South Vietnam, 8 Nov 1965

Kunsan AB, South Korea, 15 Mar 1971

Clark AB, Philippines, 16 Sep 1974-19 Dec 1991

Elmendorf AFB, AK, 1 Oct 1993

ASSIGNMENTS

3rd Bombardment Wing, 15 May 1959-8 Jan 1964

3rd Tactical Wing, 9 Jan 1964-19 Dec 1991

3rd Logistics Group, 1 Oct 1993

3rd Maintenance Group, 30 Sep 2002

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

None

Campaign Streamers

Vietnam

Vietnam Defensive 1965-1966

Vietnam Air 1966

Vietnam Air Offensive 1966-1967

Vietnam Air Offensive, Phase II 1967-1968

Vietnam Air/Ground 1968

Vietnam Air Offensive, Phase III 1968

Vietnam Air Offensive, Phase IV 1968-1969

Tet 69/Counteroffensive 1969

Vietnam Summer/Fall 1969

Vietnam Winter/Spring 1969-1970

Sanctuary Counteroffensive 1970

Southwest Monsoon 1970

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

None

Decorations

Presidential Unit Citations (Southeast Asia)

8 Jun 1966-16 Apr 1967

6 Mar 1968-31 Jul 1969

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards with Combat "V" Device

31 Jan-5 Mar 1968

1 Aug 1969-20 Jan 1970

21 Jan-31 Oct 1970

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

15 May 1959-30 Jun 1960

1 Jul 1960-31 Mar 1962

1 May 1964-16 Jun 1965

1 Jul 1972-31 Dec 1973

3 Apr-31 May 1975

1 May 1980-30 Apr 1982

22 Mar-1 Apr 1986

1 Jan 1989-1 Jun 1990

1 Jan 1994-31 Dec 1995

1 Jan 1996-30 Sep 1998

Republic of Vietnam Gallantry Crosses with Palm

25 Nov 1965-19 May 1969

1 May-30 Sep 1970
1 Apr 1966-31 Oct 1970

EMBLEM

MOTTO

MOBILE, ALERT, READY

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

In the days following the Tet offensive, 3 FMS personnel endured many rocket attacks. One such attack on 11 February 1968 killed SSgt Andrew E. Lebeau--the only death attributable to enemy action experienced by the squadron.

On 1 June 1977, the squadron was redesignated the 3d Equipment Maintenance Squadron, incorporating the previously separate squadrons of the 3rd Operational Maintenance Squadron, 3rd Munitions Maintenance Squadron and the 3rd Avionics Maintenance Squadron. It remained in place at Clark as the 3 EMS until the 12 June 1991 Mount Pinatubo volcanic eruption caused many of the squadron's membership to evacuate the island and played havoc with the squadron's equipment and responsibilities.



Air Force Order of Battle

Created: 16 Nov 2010

Updated:

Published:

Sources

Air Force Historical Research Agency. U.S. Air Force. Maxwell AFB, AL.

The Institute of Heraldry. U.S. Army. Fort Belvoir, VA.

Air Force News. Air Force Public Affairs Agency.

Ash Warriors. C. R. Anderegg. Office of PACAF History. Hickam AFB, HI. 2000