

## 13<sup>th</sup> AIR SUPPORT OPERATIONS SQUADRON



### **MISSION**

The 13th Air Support Operations Squadron will train, man, and equip Airmen, and be prepared to present mission ready forces to an air component commander, or task force commander, in support of world-wide contingency operations. These forces will be capable of sustaining full-spectrum operations as an autonomous Expeditionary Air Support Operations Squadron and/or modular Tactical Air Control Teams responsible for integrating, planning, and directing execution of joint and coalition air-and space-power in support of the designated ground commander's scheme of maneuver.

The 13 Air Support Operations Squadron will maintain core Air Force squadron functionality in garrison or deployed to address personnel, logistics, and vehicle/radio maintenance related issues of assigned and attached forces. The

13th Air Support Operations Squadron has a habitual relationship with the 4th Infantry Division. It will advise the 4th Infantry Division commanding general and senior staff on air and space-power doctrine, as well as the full-spectrum of capabilities resident in the air component, while simultaneously integrating, planning, and directing execution of joint/coalition air-and space-power in support of the joint/coalition campaign plan.

### **LINEAGE**

13<sup>th</sup> Air Support Communications Squadron constituted, 11 Jan 1943

Activated, 15 Jan 1943

Redesignated 13<sup>th</sup> Tactical Air Communications Squadron, 29 Feb 1944

Disbanded, 15 Apr 1944

Reconstituted and redesignated 13<sup>th</sup> Air Support Operations Squadron, 24 Jun 1994

Activated, 1 Jul 1994

### **STATIONS**

Birmingham AAB, AL, 15 Jan 1943

Thermal AAF, CA, 7 Jun 1943

Camp Young (US Army Desert Training Center), 15 Sep 1943

Thermal AAF, CA, 14 Mar-15 Apr 1944

Ft Carson, CO, 1 Jul 1994

### **ASSIGNMENTS**

III Air Support Command, 15 Jan 1943

IV Air Support Command (later, III Tactical Air Division; 1 Tactical Air Division), 7 Jun 1943-15 Apr 1944

3<sup>rd</sup> Air Support Operations Group, 1 Jul 1994

### **COMMANDERS**

Col Howard Shrum

LTC Deanna Violette, 2009

### **HONORS**

#### **Service Streamers**

World War II

American Theater

#### **Campaign Streamers**

None

#### **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

None

### **Decorations**

Meritorious Unit Award

1 Jun 2002-31 May 2004

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

1 Jul 1994-31 May 1996

1 Jun 1998-31 May 2000

1 Jun 2000-31 May 2002

### **EMBLEM**

Approved, 29 Oct 1996

### **MOTTO**

**NICKNAME**

**OPERATIONS**

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