

1878 COMMUNICATIONS SQUADRON

MISSION

LINEAGE

1878 Communications Squadron designated and organized, 1 Nov 1965

Redesignated 1878 Information Systems Squadron, 1 Jul 1984

Redesignated 1878 Communications Squadron, 1 Nov 1986

STATIONS

Pleiku Aprt (later AB), South Vietnam

Little Rock AFB, AR, 1 Jan 1972

Moody AFB, GA, 1 Jul 1976

ASSIGNMENTS

1964 Communications Group

Tactical Communications Area, 1 Jan 1972

Southern Communications Area, 1 Dec 1974

Tactical Communications Area (later, Tactical Communications Division; Tactical Information Systems Division; Tactical Communications Division), 1 Jul 1976

COMMANDERS

Capt George E. Bond, 1 Nov 1965

Capt Thomas H. Bonner

Capt Raymond E. Woodfork, 5 May 1966

Lt Col Lester C. Tolbert, 3 Sep 1966

Maj David T. Messick, 1 Sep 1967

Maj Edmond A. Orr, 11 Aug 1968

Maj Charles J. Hullinger, Jr., 8 Aug 1969

Lt Col Calvin C. Warren, 25 Jul 1970

Maj Byron C. Kort, 3 Nov 1970

Maj Douglas Moody, 1971

Capt James D. Jones, 1971

Maj Leonard L. Pfeffer, 1 Jul 1971

Maj William W. Angliss, 18 Aug 1971
Capt Benny D. Taylor, 7 Aug 1972
Capt Paul G. Patton, 29 Jul 1974
Capt Larry E. Chackan, 1976
Maj William S. Goodwin, 17 Jul 1976
Maj Richard L. Ferro, 22 Sep 1976
Maj William D. Lester, 15 Aug 1979
Maj William H. Wilhelmi IV, 16 Jun 1982
Maj Paul A. Hartman, 1 Aug 1984
Maj Edward F. Birkett III, 16 Oct 1986
Maj Boice M. Hardy, 24 Oct 1988

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Vietnam Defense
VN Summer-Fall, 1969
Vietnam Air
VN Winter-Spring, 1970
Vietnam Air Offensive
Sanctuary Counteroffensive
VN Air Off, Phase II
Southwest Monsoon
VN Air Off, Phase III
Commando Hunt V
Vietnam Air/Ground
Commando Hunt VI
VN Air Off, Phase IV
Commando Hunt VII
TET 69/Counteroffensive

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award with Valor
[1 Nov] 1965-30 Jun 1966
1 Jul 1966-30 Jun 1967
1 Jul 1967-30 Jun 1968
1 Jul 1968-30 Jun 1969
1 Jul 1969-30 Jun 1970
1 Jul 1970-30 Jun 1971
1 July 1971-31 Dec 1971

RVN GC w/P
1 Apr 1966-1 Jan 1972

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award
1 Jan 1980-31 Dec 1981

EMBLEM

White symbolizes all three squadrons of the 347th Tactical Fighter Wing (nicknamed White Knights) which the squadron supports. The yellow North Star symbolizes air navigation services provided, and the white jets with yellow stream symbolize support of the mission. The blue globe with black lines represents the worldwide commitment of Air Force Communications Command.

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OPERATIONS

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