

## 1968 COMMUNICATIONS SQUADRON



### MISSION

### LINEAGE

1968 Airways and Air Communications Service Squadron designated and organized, 18 Jun 1956  
Redesignated 1968<sup>th</sup> Communications Squadron, 1 Jul 1961  
Redesignated 1968<sup>th</sup> Information Systems Squadron, 1 Dec 1984  
Redesignated 1968<sup>th</sup> Communications Squadron, 1 Nov 1986

### STATIONS

Charleston AFB, SC

### ASSIGNMENTS

1803 Airways and Air Communications Service Group (later, Northeastern AACS Region)  
Reassigned to the Southeastern AACS Region (later, Southeastern Communications Region), 21  
Apr 1961  
Eastern Communications Region, 1 Jul 1963  
Southern Communications Area, 1 May 1970  
Airlift Communications Division (later, Airlift Information Systems Division; Airlift  
Communications Division), 1 Jun 1981

### COMMANDERS

LT Daniel P. Sperling, 22 Jun 1956  
Capt Franklin V. Cotterell, 13 Nov 1956  
Capt Ray A. Rieman, 1957-?

Capt Duncan W. Campbell, Aug 1965  
Capt Robert J. Parrish, 3 May 1968  
Capt William G. Slaughter, 1973  
Capt Wayne E. Creech, 4 Jun 1974  
Capt Laurence N. Winnik, 1 Dec 1975  
Capt James R. Hamby, 9 Jun 1978  
Capt James D. Hunt, 22 Sep 1980  
Capt James D. Kelley, 28 Sep 1982  
Capt John J. Little, 30 May 1985  
Capt Thomas E. Harman, Jr., 23 Jul 1987

## **HONORS**

### **Service Streamers**

### **Campaign Streamers**

### **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

### **Decorations**

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award  
1 Jan 1963-1 Feb 1964  
11 Jul 1966-10 Jul 1967  
1 Jan 1973-31 Dec 1973

### **EMBLEM**

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### **NICKNAME**

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