

22nd COMBAT COMMUNICATIONS SQUADRON



LINEAGE

Constituted 302nd Signal Company, Wing, 23 Jul 1942

Activated, 1 Aug 1942

Redesignated 302nd Signal Company, Troop Carrier Wing, 1 Sep 1943

Redesignated 22nd Communications Squadron, Troop Carrier Wing, 1 Jul 1946

Inactivated, 20 Dec 1947

Disbanded, 15 Jun 1983

Reconstituted and redesignated 22nd Combat Communications Squadron, 11 May 1988

Activated, 18 May 1988

STATIONS

MacDill Field, FL

Drew Field, FL, 18 Sep 1942

Pope Field, NC, 8 Oct 1942

Camp Shanks, New York, 4 May-12 May 1943

Casablanca, French Morocco, 20 May 1943

Oujda, French Morocco, 23 May 1943

Kairouan, Tunisia, Jul 1943
Agrigento, Sicily, Sep 1943
Catania, Sicily, Feb 1944
Lido di Roma, Italy, Jun 1944
Siena, Italy, Jan 1945
Wiesbaden/Erbenheim, Germany, 1 Sep 1945
Dotzheim, Germany, 31 Mar 1946-20 Dec 1947
Patrick AFB, FL, 18 May 1988

ASSIGNMENTS

52nd Troop Carrier Wing
51st Troop Carrier Wing, 20 Feb 1944-20 Dec 1947
2nd Combat Communications Group, 18 May 1988

COMMANDERS

1Lt Russell E. Cooley, Jr., 12 Aug 1942
1Lt James F. Leonard, 15 Dec 1943
Cpt Matthew W. Burke, 10 May 1945
1Lt Berl E. Pennington, 19 Oct 1945
Lt Rufus Z. Smith, 1 Apr 1946
Lt Charles H. King, 1 Jun 1946
Cpt John C. Houtz, 2 Jan 1947-6 Sep 1947
Not Manned, 7 Sep 1947-20 Dec 1947
Cpt Michael J. Clark, 18 Aug 1989

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Rome-Arno

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

EMBLEM SIGNIFICANCE

Blue symbolizes the sky, the primary theater of Air Force operations, as well as the valor of the American fighting man. Yellow signifies the excellence of Air Force personnel. The twenty-two flags are symbolic of the 22nd Combat Communications Squadron, and the semaphore flags are a traditional symbol of military communications. The white star is symbolic of the compass rose and is a traditional symbol of the air traffic control mission of the squadron. The red lightning bolts are a traditional symbol of the electronic communication that is the mission of the unit. The color red represents the ferocity with which the unit fights. The unsheathed sword indicated the unit's readiness to fight, but emphasizes the deterrent nature of the unit. The sword is a duplicate of the

sword depicted on the Tactical Air Command shield, heraldically emphasizing the connection to the United States Air Force major command. The red handle represents the flame of democracy. The silver and black blade symbolizes the unadulterated, shining truth of the cause and the ever present shadow of possible conflict.

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OPERATIONS

Although the squadron was inactivated 25 September 1947, it is entitled to all prior honors and emblems.



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