# **36 MUNITIONS SQUADRON**



### **MISSION**

The 190 dedicated professionals of the 36 MUNS provide the power behind Airpower. The munitions squadron stores, inspects, maintains and accounts for the largest munitions stockpile in Pacific Air Forces and assembles and delivers these munitions to deployed combat aircraft during wartime or contingency operations. The munitions squadron also maintains the largest conventional air-launched cruise missile (CALCM) stockpile in the Air Force as well as providing world-class weapons release system support. 36 MUNS is responsible for a huge storage area spanning over 5500 acres and encompassing 143 storage facilities, 7 operating locations, 23 sited storage revetments, and 160 unsited revetments.

The Material Flight is entrusted with the health of Andersen's stockpile which is valued in excess of \$560 million. They ensure proper storage practices are utilized, perform periodic inspections and ensure accountability of over 97,000 individual items.

The Systems Flight exercises control over all activities that occur within the munitions arena. They direct all daily operations, emergency response and ensure proper combat support. The flight is also responsible for managing all training activities in the squadron. This includes upgrade training, ancillary training, and augmentee training.

The Production Flight provides assembly and delivery capability of all munitions types employed from Andersen. They maintain assembly proficiency for over 30 types of bombs, missiles and countermeasures. They also maintain munitions handling trailers and associated handling equipment.

The Weapons Flight is charged with maintaining the largest CALCM stockpile in the Air Force. They perform periodic inspections and testing, field level modifications and repair as necessary. The flight also maintains all bomber and fighter weapons release equipment and alternate mission equipment for all aircraft deploying to Andersen.

## **LINEAGE**

36 Aviation Depot Squadron constituted, 5 Dec 1956
Activated, 1 Jan 1957
Redesignated 36 Munitions Maintenance Squadron, 1 Jul 1960
Discontinued and inactivated, 25 Jun 1965
Activated, 8 Oct 1972
Inactivated, 30 Oct 1979
Redesignated 36 Munitions Squadron, 26 Apr 2004
Activated, 9 Jul 2004

#### **STATIONS**

Smoky Hill (later, Schilling) AFB, KS, 1 Jan 1957-25 Jun 1965 Bitburg AB, Germany, 8 Oct 1972-30 Oct 1979 Andersen AFB, Guam, 9 Jul 2004

#### **ASSIGNMENTS**

802 Air Base (later, 802 Combat Support) Group, 1 Jan 1957 310 Combat Support Group, 15 Jun 1960 310 Bombardment (later, 310 Strategic Aerospace) Wing, 1 Jul 1960-25 Jun 1965 36 Tactical Fighter Wing, 8 Oct 1972-30 Oct 1979 36 Maintenance Group, 9 Jul 2004

## **COMMANDERS**

**HONORS**Service Streamers

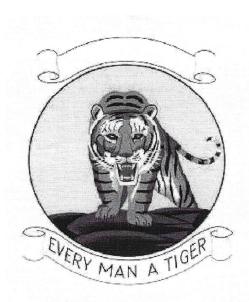
## **Campaign Streamers**

## **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

#### **Decorations**

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards 1 Dec 1973-30 Apr 1975 1 Jul 1975-30 Jun 1977 1 Jul 1977-30 Jun 1979 [9 Jul]-30 Sep 2004 1 Oct 2004-30 Sep 2005 1 Oct 2005-30 Sep 2007 1 Oct 2009-30 Sep 2011

#### **EMBLEM**



36 Aviation Depot Squadron emblem: On a light blue disc, a pile of bombs in base, gray shaded black; atop the bombs a ferocious tiger affronte, golden yellow and black, details white, his nose and gums red, his eyes brown. Motto: On a white scroll edged and inscribed black, EVERY MAN A TIGER. **SIGNIFICANCE:** Our emblem is symbolic of our squadron1 s mission. The light blue of the background and the dark gray color of the bombs represent day and night operations. The tiger, wearing the squadron colors, orange and black, symbolizes personnel and reflects our motto "Every Man a Tiger." The bombs over which the tiger "stands guard" represents our mission. (Approval, 3 Jul 1958)





**MOTTO** 

**OPERATIONS** 

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