

## 40 AIR REFUELING SQUADRON, MEDIUM



### MISSION

#### LINEAGE

540 Bombardment Squadron (Heavy) constituted, 28 Oct 1942

Activated, 3 Nov 1942

Inactivated, 1 Apr 1944

40 Air Refueling Squadron, Medium constituted, 18 Jun 1952

Activated, 8 Jul 1952

Discontinued, 15 Mar 1963

540 Bombardment Squadron (Heavy) and 40 Air Refueling Squadron, Medium consolidated, 19 Sep 1985. Consolidated organization designated 40 Air Refueling Squadron, Medium and remains inactive

#### STATIONS

Salt Lake City AAB, UT, 3 Nov 1942

Rapid City AAB, SD, 12 Nov 1942

Ainsworth AAFld, NB, 13 Dec 1942

Rapid City AAB, SD, 26 Apr 1943

Geiger Fld, WA, 20 Jun 1943

Peterson Fld, CO, 26 Oct 1943-1 Apr 1944

Smoky Hill (later, Schilling) AFB, KS, 8 Jul 1952-15 Mar 1963

#### DEPLOYED STATIONS

Thule AB, Greenland, 27 Jun 1956-4 Sep 1956

Greenham Common, England, 1 Jul 1957-1 Oct 1957

Thule AB, Greenland, 1 Oct 1958-9 Jan 1959

### **ASSIGNMENTS**

383 Bombardment Group, 3 Nov 1942-1 Apr 1944

40 Bomb Wing, 8 Jul 1952

310 Bomb (later, 310 Strategic Aerospace) Wing, 1 Jun 1960-15 Mar 1963

### **ATTACHMENTS**

310 Bombardment Wing, 09 Sep 1952-30 Apr 1953

### **WEAPON SYSTEMS**

B-17, 1943

B-24, 1943-1944

KC-97

### **COMMANDERS**

### **HONORS**

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

### **EMBLEM**



40 Air Refueling Squadron emblem approved, 24 Apr 1956

## **MOTTO**

## **OPERATIONS**

Served as an operational training unit, Jan-Oct 1943 and as a replacement Training unit, Oct 1943-Apr 1944.

40 Air Refueling Squadron was deployed between 3 and 9 Oct 58 on Operation Sand Paper 90 day rotational temporary duty to Thule Air Base, Greenland. 1958

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### Sources

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