



United States Air Force **Lineage and Honors History**

563 Electronic Warfare Squadron (ACC)

Lineage. Constituted as 563 Bombardment Squadron (Heavy) on 19 Dec 1942. Activated on 24 Dec 1942. Redesignated as 563 Bombardment Squadron, Heavy, on 20 Aug 1943. Inactivated on 28 Aug 1945. Redesignated as 563 Bombardment Squadron, Very Heavy, on 5 May 1947. Activated in the Reserve on 12 Jun 1947. Inactivated on 27 Jun 1949. Redesignated as 563 Fighter-Bomber Squadron on 5 Nov 1953. Activated on 23 Nov 1953. Inactivated on 10 Dec 1957. Redesignated as 563 Tactical Fighter Squadron, and activated, on 1 May 1962. Organized on 1 Oct 1962. Inactivated on 31 Jul 1972. Redesignated as 563 Tactical Fighter Training Squadron on 15 Jul 1975. Activated on 31 Jul 1975. Redesignated as 563 Tactical Fighter Squadron on 1 Jul 1977. Inactivated on 5 Oct 1989. Redesignated as 563 Flying Training Squadron on 14 Dec 1992. Activated on 14 May 1993. Inactivated on 3 Jun 1996. Activated on 30 Apr 1999. Inactivated on 19 Nov 2010. Redesignated as 563 Electronic Warfare Squadron on 15 Mar 2024. Activated on 25 Apr 2024.

Assignments. 388 Bombardment Group, 24 Dec 1942-28 Aug 1945. 338 Bombardment Group, 12 Jun 1947-27 Jun 1949. 388 Fighter-Bomber Group, 23 Nov 1953-10 Dec 1957 (attached to 388 Fighter-Bomber Wing, 1 Jul-10 Dec 1957). Tactical Air Command, 1 May 1962; 388 Tactical Fighter Wing, 1 Oct 1962; 23 Tactical Fighter Wing, 8 Feb 1964 (attached to 2 Air Division, 8-9 Apr 1965, and to 6235 Tactical Fighter Wing [Provisional], 10 Apr-15 Aug 1965);

832 Air Division, 1-31 Jul 1972. 35 Tactical Fighter Wing, 31 Jul 1975; 37 Tactical Fighter Wing, 30 Mar 1981-5 Oct 1989. 12 Operations Group, 14 May 1993-3 Jun 1996. 12 Operations Group, 30 Apr 1999-19 Nov 2010. 850 Special Warfare Group, 25 Apr 2024-.

Stations. Gowen Field, ID, 24 Dec 1942; Wendover Field, UT, c. 1 Feb 1943; Sioux City AAB, IA, 1 May-8 Jun 1943; Knettishall, England, 23 Jun 1943-Aug 1945; Sioux Falls AAFld, SD, 13-28 Aug 1945. Orchard Place (later, Chicago-Orchard) Aprt, IL, 12 Jun 1947-27 Jun 1949.

Clovis AFB, NM, 23 Nov 1953-28 Nov 1954; Bitburg AB, Germany, 12 Dec 1954 (deployed at Etain/Rouvres AB, France, 20 Jun-6 Jul 1955); Etain/Rouvres AB, France, 7 Jul 1955-10 Dec 1957. McConnell AFB, KS, 1 Oct 1962-31 Jul 1972 (deployed at Takhli RTAFB, Thailand, 8 Apr-15 Aug 1965 and at Eglin AFB, FL, 22 Apr-3 Jun 1971). George AFB, CA, 31 Jul 1975-5 Oct 1989. Randolph AFB, TX, 14 May 1993-3 Jun 1996. Randolph AFB, TX, 30 Apr 1999-19 Nov 2010. Joint Base San Antonio, TX, 25 Apr 2024-.

Service Streamers. None.

Campaign Streamers. *World War II:* Air Offensive, Europe; Normandy; Northern France; Rhineland; Ardennes-Alsace; Central Europe; Air Combat, EAME Theater. *Vietnam:* Vietnam Defensive.

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers. None.

Decorations. Distinguished Unit Citations: Germany, 17 Aug 1943; for three missions (Hannover, Germany, 26 Jul 1943; Brux, Czechoslovakia, 12 May 1944; England to Russia, 21 Jun 1944). Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards with Combat "V" Device: 8 Apr-8 Jun 1965; 29 Jun-15 Aug 1965. Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards: 1 Jun 1970-15 Jun 1971; 2 Feb 1976-31 Mar 1977; 1 Jun 1985-31 May 1987; 14 May-30 Jun 1993; 1 Jul 1993-30 Jun 1994; 1 Jul 1995-

[3] Jun 1996; 1 Jul 1998-30 Jun 2000; 1 Jul 2002-30 Jun 2004; 1 Jul 2004-30 Jun 2006; 1 Jul 2008-30 Jun 2009; 1 Jul 2009-19 Nov 2010.

Lineage, Assignments, Stations, and Honors through 12 Nov 2024.

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