

165 SERVICES FLIGHT

MISSION

LINEAGE

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STATIONS

Savannah ANGB, Savannah, GA

ASSIGNMENTS

165 Mission Support Group

COMMANDERS

Maj Charles S. McMillan, Jan 1984

Cpt Kathy L. Edgerton, Sep 1994

Maj Gregory A. Padgett, Jan 1996

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

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OPERATIONS

October 1, 1985, the 165th Prime Readiness in Base Services (RIBS) was activated. The unit deployed to Mildenhall, England from 12 - 29 May 1986 to support MAJCOM Exercises. The 165th Services Flight (SVF) deployed to Camp Rapid, S. Dakota 19 July - 2 August 1986 to support the 165th Civil Engineering Unit. On March 8, 1987, the 165th Services Flight received its mobile field kitchen.

On April 7-21 1987 the Unit deployed to Benson, England for Joint exercises with the Royal Air Force. On 2-23 August 1987, Prime Ribs deployed to Rhein Main AB, Germany to support Active AF. In March 1988, the 165th Services Flight conducted Services Management Instruction at McGhee Tyson, TN for over 120 Services members. During 16-31 May 1988 the Unit deployed to Ramstein, Germany in conjunction with the 130th members from West Virginia. The Unit deployed 31 August - 19 September 1988 to RAF Benson, United Kingdom and participated in VOLANT SCORPIO exercise. The 165th Services Flight and the Civil Engineering Squadron merged in a conversion Sept 1989. Services Flight members deployed to Alpena, MI for 17 days to support medical readiness training for the 165th Medical Squadron. In 1990, the Services Flight deployed to St. Croix, VI with the 165th Civil Engineering members in a humanitarian project after hurricane "Hugo" struck.

In November 1990 the 165th Services Flight hosted a Food Service Management course at home station. During 13-27 April 1991 members of the 165th Services Flight deployed to and supported the Vermont ANG during their home station training period. In September 1991, members of the Services Flight deployed to Aviano, Italy to participate in VOLANT PARTNER Exercises. Members of the 165th Services Flight deployed 11-26 July 1992 to Camp Allen, Puerto Rico to support 165 Civil Engineering members for a renovation project. During 13-28 February, the 165th Services Flight deployed to Panama in support of an Army Corp of Engineer project.

In May 1993, members of the Services flight deployed to Camp Dodge, Iowa and supported the 165th Civil Engineering Squadron in a housing renovation project. In October 1993, the 165th Services Flight became a separate unit with its own commander. The first commander was Capt. Charles S. McMillan. In June 1994, the 165 Services Flight supported 165th Security Police Flight and fifty active duty security personnel from Little Rock, AR during a SPF exercise located at Ft. Stewart, GA. Members of the Services Flight deployed 13-22 July 1994 to Bainbridge, GA during Georgia's Big Flood.

The Services Flight deployed 9-27 September 1994 to Howard AFB, Panama to provide food service support to approximately 400 Army personnel. Although heavily tasked, the unit's performance was outstanding. From January-May 1996 the 165th AW dining facility underwent a major renovation. Kitchen space was greatly increased and the dining area was carpeted and refurbished to improve the atmosphere as well as enhance service to customers. Customer focus has been a key factor for the Services Flight personnel since January 1996. A greater variety in menu items, a hot food bar was added in April 1997. In October 1996, the 165 Services Flight deployed with the wing to Gulfport for an Operational Readiness Exercise and supported over 700 unit personnel in billeting and food service.

In May 1997 several members deployed to Indiantown Gap, PA in support of the 165 CES squadron deployment. During 12-16 May 1997 the 165 Services Flight hosted a MAJCOM Operations Food Management Course. Services personnel from 9 states received this management training and graduated. Other deployments were scheduled in support of 165 AW personnel and other ANG units through the end of 1997. 165th Services Flight had 17 personnel

attend Silver Flag Training at Tyndall AFB FL in 1998. During the summer of 1998, six personnel from the 165th Services Flight went to Canada in Support of the 165th CES and 4 personnel went to Indiantown Gap PA in support of 165 CES. The year 1998 was a historical year for the 165th Services Flight. Our manning document was increased to 39 under reorganization of the Air National Guard Services structure. The year 1999 had some interesting things happen. In January due to the new Aerospace Expeditionary Forces Concept, Services was reorganized again and this time our manning was reduced to 27 personnel. We had 1 Services person go to Prince Sultan AB, Saudi Arabia for 45 days. Six personnel deployed to Camp Navajo, AZ in support of the 165th CES and 1 person went to Ali Al Salem AB, Kuwait over the 99/00 Christmas and New Year holidays. We had 4 personnel deploy to Incirlic Turkey in Support of AEF. We have supported other local exercises. In June of 2000 2 individuals deployed to Ayacucho Peru to support a Hospital Humanitarian effort.

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