

302 OPERATIONS SUPPORT SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE

302 Airdrome Squadron constituted, 1 Apr 1943

Activated, 5 Apr 1943

Disbanded, 7 Nov 1945

Reconstituted, redesignated 302 Operations Support Squadron, and activated in the Reserve, 1 Aug 1992

Redesignated 302 Operations Support Flight, 1 Oct 1992

Redesignated 302 Operations Support Squadron, 12 Jul 2010

STATIONS

Gowen Field, ID, 5 Apr-10 Dec 1943

Zeals, England, 8 Jan 1944

Lynington, England, 20 Apr 1944

Chilbolton, England, 7 Jun 1944

Kingsnorth, England, 13 Jul 1944

Hurn, England, 13 Aug 1944

Gosfield, England, 5 Sep 1944

Coulommiers, France, 3 Oct 1944

Luxeuil, France, 7 Oct 1944

Dole/Tavaux, France, 13 Oct 1944

Dijon/Longvic, France, 15 Dec 1944

Mailly, France, 4 Jul 1945

St. Victoret, France, 17 Aug-1 Sep 1945

Lemoore AAFld, CA, 18 Sep 1945

Camp Pinedale, CA, 23 Oct-7 Nov 1945
Peterson AFB, CO, 1 Aug 199

ASSIGNMENTS

Second Air Force, 5 Apr 1943
Ninth Air Force, 7 Jan 1944
IX Bomber Command, 12 Aug 1944
Fourth Air Force, 18 Sep-7 Nov 1945
302 Operations Group, 1 Aug 1992

COMMANDERS

Lt Col Christopher T. Lay

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

World War II
Rhineland

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award
1 Jan 1998-31 Aug 1999
1 Jan 2001-31 Aug 2002
1 Sep 2004-31 Aug 2006
1 Sep 2006-2 Sep 2008

EMBLEM

The 302d Operations Support Squadron emblem consists of four distinctive elements, each symbolizing a unique aspect of the squadron. The emblem consists of a solitary wolverine, centered against an austere and rugged terrain, beneath a dark-blue sky, with two non-descript low-level aircraft flying in tactical formation overhead. **SIGNIFICANCE:** The primary element of the 302d Operations Support Squadron emblem, the wolverine, is a small, fierce, and independent animal--all characteristics that aptly describe our organization. The Air Force Blue background represents the night sky which is symbolic of traditional flying operations conducted after sunset. The harsh mountainous terrain represents the agility of all Operations Support Squadron members to continuously advance or operate in even in the most difficult environments or circumstances. The aircraft represent the operational mission we ultimately support while also symbolizing the wingman/support concept that defines the very nature of our squadron. The design, per Air Force Instruction, includes only six colors, two of which are the requisite Ultramarine Blue and Air Force Yellow. The Latin inscription translates to "FEW BUT FIERCE" and is in the same color as the border.

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