

515th AIR DEFENSE GROUP

MISSION

Provided air defense of Great Lakes area.

LINEAGE

515th Air Service Group constituted

Activated, 28 Dec 1944

Inactivated, 29 Oct 1945

Disbanded, 8 Oct 1948

Reconstituted and redesignated 515th Air Defense Group, 21 Jan 1953

Activated, 16 Feb 1953

Inactivated, 18 Aug 1955

Disbanded on 27 September 1984

STATIONS

Pomigliano d'Arco Airfield, Italy 28 Dec 1944

Okinawa, 1945-29 Oct 1945

Duluth Municipal Airport, MN, 16 Feb 1953–18 Aug 1955

ASSIGNMENTS

Air Force Service Command, Mediterranean Theater of Operations, 28 Dec 1944-1945

Unknown, 1945-29 Oct 1945

31st Air Division, 16 Feb 1953–18 Aug 1955

WEAPON SYSTEMS

F-51D, 1953

F-86D, 1953-1955

F-89D, 1955

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

Its 941st Air Engineering Squadron provided maintenance that was beyond the capability of the combat group, its 765th Air Materiel Squadron handled all supply matters, and its Headquarters & Base Services Squadron provided other support. Supported one combat group in Italy. In May 1945, assumed responsibility for supporting units that were redeploying from the Mediterranean Theater of Operations. Moved to Pacific Theater and provided same support on Okinawa until inactivated in 1945.