

# 784 AIRCRAFT CONTROL AND WARNING SQUADRON



## MISSION

## LINEAGE

784 Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron

## STATIONS

Fort Knox, KY

## ASSIGNMENTS

58 Air Division

## COMMANDERS

Maj David Whitaker, 1957

## HONORS

**Service Streamers**

**Campaign Streamers**

**Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

**Decorations**

## EMBLEM

## MOTTO

## **NICKNAME**

## **OPERATIONS**

784 Snow Mountain AFS, KY      FPS-3; FPS-4; FPS-20/-67; FPS-6 (2)    FPS-67B;    FPS-6 (2)  
1952 18-Jun-68      Site was located just west of Fort Knox, KY.

Located on Snow Mountain

The 784th Aircraft Control and Warning Squadron has the distinction of being one of the few Air Force Units located entirely within an Army reservation. The 107,000 acre Fort Knox reservation is the home of the Army's Armor Center and the United States Gold Depository. The 784th area on Snow Mountain is isolated in a scenic wooded area approximately five miles from the Fort Knox activities and thirty miles South of Louisville. The city of Louisville with a population of over half a million offers every type of entertainment, and is world famous for its Kentucky Derby held at Churchill Downs each May. Some type of outdoor sport may be followed year round in the relatively mild climate. The usual Softball and basketball teams are active in local leagues and hunting and fishing are popular throughout the state of Kentucky.

784th Radar Sq (SAGE): activated 16 Apr 51 at Ft. Knox, KY, assigned to 541st ACE/W Gp; transferred to 30th AD 6 Feb 52; transferred to 4706th Def Wg 16 Feb 53; transferred to 58th AD 1 Mar 56; site redesignated to Snow Mountain, KY in summer of 56; transferred to 35th AD 1 Sep 58; transferred to 32nd AD, 15 Nov 58; transferred to Chicago ADS 1 Jul 61; transferred to Detroit ADS 1 Aug 61; redesignated from AW+I Sq to 784th Radar Sq (SAGE) 1 May 62; transferred to Chicago ADS 25 May 62; transferred to 34th AD 1 Apr 66; discontinued 18 Jun 68.

## **KENTUCKY**

P-82/2-82 - Godman/Snow Mountain

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Information for Snow Mountain AFS, KY

Latitude: 37-53-50 N, Longitude: 086-00-07 W

Call Sign(s): Goblin, Oak Hill

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