

13th FIGHTER INTERCEPTOR SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE

13th Pursuit Squadron (Interceptor) constituted, 20 Nov 1940
Activated, 15 Jan 1941
Redesignated 13th Fighter Squadron, 15 May 1942
Disbanded, 1 May 1944
Reconstituted and redesignated 13th Fighter Interceptor Squadron, 11 Feb 1953
Activated, 27 Apr 1953
Inactivated, 30 Jun 1968

STATIONS

MacDill Field, FL, 15 Jan 1941
Tallahassee, FL, 8 May-18 Dec 1941
Howard Field, CZ, 2 Jan-10 Nov 1942
Dale Mabry Field, FL, 26 Nov 1942
Drew Field, FL, 6 Jan 1943
Ft Myers, FL, 6 Feb 1943
Venice AAFld, FL, 1 Jun 1943-1 May 1944
Selfridge AFB, MI, 27 Apr 1953-18 Aug 1955
Sioux City Mun Aprt, IA, 18 Aug 1955
Glasgow AFB, MT, 2 Jul 1959

ASSIGNMENTS

53rd Pursuit (later Fighter) Group, 15 Jan 1941-1 May 1944
575th Air Defense Group, 27 Apr 1953
53rd Fighter Group, 18 Aug 1955

476th Fighter Group, 1 Jul 1957
29th Air Division, 1 Apr 1960
Minot Air Defense Sector, 1 Jan 1961

WEAPON SYSTEMS

P-35, 1941
P-40, 1941
P-39D, 1941-1943
P-39N
P-39Q
P-51, 1943
P-47C
P-47D, 1943-1944
P-47G
F-86D, 1953
F-86L
F-101B, 1959
F-101F

COMMANDERS

Cpt Charles J. Biddle
LTC Wilfred Crutchfield, #1957
LTC Robert C. Howard, #1963

HONORS

Service Streamers

American Theater

Campaign Streamers

None

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

None

Decorations

None

EMBLEM



On an orange shield, edged and winged black, a bull's head black, details, horns and smoke issuing from nostrils, white, outlined black. (Approved, 24 Apr 1956)

MOTTO

NONE SHALL EXCEL THEM

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

Air Force Order of Battle

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