

27th AIR DIVISION



MISSION

LINEAGE

27th Air Division (Defense) established, 7 Sep 1950
Activated, 20 Sep 1950
Inactivated, 1 Feb 1952
Organized, 1 Feb 1952
Inactivated, 1 Oct 1959
Redesignated 27th Air Division, and activated, 20 Jan 1966
Organized, 1 Apr 1966
Inactivated, 19 Nov 1969

STATIONS

Norton AFB, CA, 20 Sep 1950
Norton AFB, CA, 1 Feb 1952-1 Oct 1959
Luke AFB, AZ, 1 Apr 1966-19 Nov 1969

ASSIGNMENTS

Western Air Defense Force, 20 Sep 1950
Western Air Defense Force, 1 Feb 1952-1 Oct 1959
Air Defense Command, 20 Jan 1966
Fourth Air Force, 1 Apr 1966
Tenth Air Force, 15 Sep 1969-19 Nov 1969

COMMANDERS

Col Philip C. Loofbourrow, 20 Sep 1950
BG Donald R. Hutchinson, 13 Oct 1950
BG Donald R. Hutchinson, 1 Feb 1952
BG James W. Andrew, 5 Apr 1954
BG Frank E. Rouse, 30 Sep 1956
Col Brian O'Neill, 16 Jun 1958
BG Prescott M. Spicer, 10 Jul 1958-1 Oct 1959
Col Leon W. Gray, 1 Apr 1966
Col William C. Sullivan, 5 Sep 1967
Col Dean W. Dutrack, 30 Jul 1968-19 Nov 1969

HONORS

Service Streamers

None

Campaign Streamers

None

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

None

Decorations

None

EMBLEM



Azure, an aircraft gray, carrying two rockets sable, the nose in the form of an eagle's head (white with yellow beak) between four lightning flashes or, two in chief on a cloud issuing argent and two in base; all within a diminished bordure of distinctive outline gules that part on

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OPERATIONS

The division assumed responsibility for the air defense of southern California in Sep 1950 and later southern Nevada. By 1953, its area of control included a small portion of Arizona. In Jan 1966, it gained responsibility for the air defense of southern California, southern Nevada, all of Arizona, and parts of New Mexico. The 27th administered and trained subordinate units, and participated in numerous air defense training exercises. In addition, during the 1960's it supervised training of Air National Guard units with a pertinent mobilization assignment.

Air Force Order of Battle

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Sources

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