

6th AIR DEFENSE MISSILE SQUADRON (BOMARC)



LINEAGE

Activated, 1 Feb 1959

Inactivated, 15 Dec 1964

STATIONS

Suffolk City AFB, NY

ASSIGNMENTS

New York Air Defense Sector

WEAPON SYSTEMS

CIM-10 Bomarc 1959-1964

COMMANDERS

LTC R. Anderson

LTC Robert E. Kaempfer, #1960

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

EMBLEM SIGNIFICANCE

MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

Mission was to provide IM-99 BOMARC missiles for interception and destruction of hostile airborne objects; To support the operations of other commands as directed by this or higher headquarters; To develop a thorough understanding among assigned personnel of the SAGE-ADM squadron relationship in the Air Defense operations; To equip, administer, and train assigned or attached personnel and provide a force in a maximum state of readiness for use in air defense; To conduct and participate in all phases of air defense training which will insure fulfillment of the overall mission of the Unit

The 6th Air Defense Missile Squadron was activated on 1 Feb 1959 at Suffolk County AFB, Westhampton Beach, Long Island, NY. The 6th was the second BOMARC missile squadron in the Air Defense Command. At the time of activation, the missile site was under construction at a location five miles away from Suffolk County Air Force Base. During the construction period the squadron was located at SCAFB.

In early August, thirteen officers and 150, 6th Airmen assembled at Hurlburt Field, FL for approximately three months of unit training. During the early portion of the training period squadron personnel were trained in all areas of our sophisticated missile. Later they applied their newly acquired knowledge to practical use and conducted actual test firings.

In early November, the personnel from Florida joined the squadron personnel already at the site and the squadron was, for the first time, a single unit at a single location. From that point on, all squadron personnel worked together toward achieving the squadron's operational goal.

Air Force Order of Battle
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Sources

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