

6th COMBAT TRAINING SQUADRON



LINEAGE

6th Communications Squadron, Air Support constituted, 30 May 1942

Activated, 10 Jun 1942

Redesignated 6th Air Support Communication Squadron, 11 Jan 1943

Redesignated 6th Tactical Air Communications Squadron, 1 Apr 1944

Inactivated, 4 Oct 1945

Disbanded, 8 Oct 1948

Reconstituted and redesignated 6th Combat Training Squadron, 21 Jun 2001

Activated, 29 Jun 2001

STATIONS

Hunter Field, GA, 10 Jun 1942

Byrd Field, VA, 2 Aug 1942

Gainesville, FL, Dec 1942

Morris Field, NC, 1 Oct-6 Dec 1943

Chilbolton, England, 22 Dec 1943

Middle Wallop, England, 7 Jan 1944

Sunninghill Parks, England, 20 Feb 1944

Middle Wallop, England, 26 Feb 1944

Les Oubeaux, France, mid-Jun 1944

St Martin, France, 2 Aug 1944

Le Gast, France, 12 Aug 1944

Haleine, France, 22 Aug 1944

Bailly, France, 1 Sep 1944

Rennes, France, 12 Sep 1944

Arlon, Belgium, 2 Oct 1944

Maastricht, Holland, 16 Oct 1944

Munchen-Gladbach, Germany, 11 Mar 1945

Haltern, Germany, 6 Apr 1945

Gutersloh, Germany, 17 Apr 1945

Braunschweig, Germany, 19 Apr 1945

Furstenfeldbruck, Germany, Jul 1945

Assembly areas in France, 18 Aug-25 Sep 1945

Camp Myles Standish, MA, 3-4 Oct 1945
Nellis AFB, NV, 29 Jun 2001

ASSIGNMENTS

VIII Ground Air Support Command, 10 Jun 1942
First Air Force, 2 Aug 1942
Third Air Force, 28 Nov 1942
AAF School of Applied Tactics, Dec 1942
Third Air Force, 1 Oct 1943; IX Fighter Command, 30 Dec 1943
Ninth Air Force, 31 Jan 1944
IX Air Support (later, IX Tactical Air) Command, 26 Feb 1944
XXIX Tactical Air Command (Provisional), 15 Sep 1944
IX Fighter Command (attached to XXIX Tactical Air Command [Provisional]), 1 Dec 1944
XXIX Tactical Air Command (Provisional), 1 Jul-Aug 1945
USAF Air Ground Operations School, 29 Jun 2001
57th Operations Group, 4 Oct 2007

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

World War II
American Theater

Campaign Streamers

World War II
Normandy
Northern France
Rhineland
Central Europe

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

None

Decorations

Army Meritorious Unit Commendation
1 Oct 1944-1 May 1945
Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards
[29] Jun 2001-31 May 2003
1 Jun 2004-31 May 2006

Cited in the Orders of the Day, Belgian Army
6 Jun-30 Sep 1944
1 Oct-17 Dec 1944
18 Dec 1944-15 Jan 1945

Belgian Fourregere

EMBLEM

Approved, 14 Sep 2004

EMBLEM SIGNIFICANCE

MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

The squadron is an academic squadron tasked to train air liaison officers, forward air controller-airborne, tactical air control parties, special tactics team members and selected Army, Navy and Marine members. The 6th CTS offers four courses in 10 classes per year, teaching up to 1,000 personnel from all services in the tactics, techniques and procedures to plan, request, coordinate and control close air support at the tactical level. Instruction includes lectures, seminars and joint planning exercises covering areas such as service doctrine, mission and organization, command and control, tactical operations and weapons systems. The course finishes with a field training exercise integrated with Air Warrior I and National Training Center operations at Fort Irwin, Calif.

Det. 1, 6th CTS at Fort Sill, OK

Air Force Order of Battle

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