52 FIGHTER INTERCEPTOR SQUADRON

MISSION

LINEAGE

52 Pursuit Squadron (Fighter) constituted, 22 Nov 1940
Activated, 1 Jan 1941
Redesignated 52 Fighter Squadron, 15 May 1942
Disbanded, 25 May 1944
Reconstituted, 16 May 1949
Activated in the reserve, 27 Jun 1949
Redesignated 52 Fighter Interceptor Squadron, 8 Mar 1950
Ordered to active service, 1 Jun 1951
Inactivated, 8 Jun 1951

STATIONS

Rio Hato, Panama, 1 Jan 1941
Albrook Field, CZ, 1 Jan 1941
Rio Hato, Panama, 21 Aug 1941
France Field, CZ, 13 Dec 1941-23 Mar 1944 (detachment at Seymour Island, Galapagos, 5 Jun-1 Dec 1942)
Lincoln AAFld, NE, 8 Apr-25 May 1944
Hamilton AFB, CA, 27 Jun 1949-8 Jun 1951

ASSIGNMENTS

32 Pursuit (later Fighter) Group, 1 Jan 1941 Second Air Force, 8 Apr-25 May 1944 Fourth Air Force, 27 Jun 1949 Western Air Defense Force, 1 Aug 1950-8 Jun 1951

WEAPON SYSTEMS

P-26, 1941 P-36, 1941-1942 P-40, 1942-1944 P-39, 1943-1944 F-82

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

American Theater

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

MOTTO

OPERATIONS

Air defense for the Panama Canal during World War II.

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