

99 MUNITIONS MAINTENANCE SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE

99 Aviation Depot Squadron constituted, 28 Feb 1958
Activated, 23 May 1958
Redesignated 99 Munitions Maintenance Squadron, 1 Jul 1960
Discontinued and inactivated, 20 Dec 1963
Activated, 1 Oct 1972
Inactivated

STATIONS

RAF Lakenheath, England, 23 May 1958-20 Dec 1963
Westover AFB, MA, 1 Oct 1972-31 Mar 1974

ASSIGNMENTS

7 Air Division, 23 May 1958-20 Dec 1963
99 Bombardment Wing, Heavy, 1 Oct 1972

ATTACHMENTS

3910 Air Base (later, Combat Support] Group, 23 May 1958-1 Oct 1959

COMMANDERS

Maj John T Storrs, 23 May 1958
Col William A Delahay, 1 Oct 1959
Col Paul Beard, 22 Jul 1960
Col Gordon M Johnson, 23 Aug 1961
Lt Col Eugene S Ciolek, 9 Aug 1963

Maj Emil D Nichols, 10 Nov 1963
Maj Barney E Gillen, 15 Nov 1963
Capt Thomas E Caldwell, 15-20 Dec 1963

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

On an Air Force blue disc edged Air Force golden yellow, a light blue globe, grid lines white encircled by a white olive wreath, details light blue; all between in dexter (right) a stylized aircraft in flight upward leaving a trail arched to sinister (left) base bearing three light blue stars and in sinister a re-entry vehicle leaving a trail to chief bearing four light blue stars, all white, outlines and details light blue; superimposed over all an Air Force golden yellow key, bow up, bendwise throughout, outlines and details golden brown. **SIGNIFICANCE.** The emblem is symbolic of the squadron and its mission. Against a blue background representing aerospace, the field of operations for the equipment we maintain, a globe indicates the unit's worldwide capability and an encircling olive wreath symbolizes its peacetime role. The aircraft circling the world and displaying three stars on its trail, represents the three "bomb" detachments, and the re-entry vehicle displaying four stars on its trail, represents the four "missile" detachments. Ultramarine blue and Air Force yellow are the Air Force colors. Blue alludes to the sky, the primary theater of Air Force operations. Yellow refers to the sun and the excellence required of Air Force personnel. (Approved, 20 Feb 1961)

MOTTO

Key To Deterrence

OPERATIONS

Provided administration and support of assigned detachments, which themselves served the RAF Bomber Command by receiving, storing, maintaining, and issuing nuclear weapons. In Oct 1959 gained additional detachments charged with similar support with respect to Thor IRBMs, allocated to the RAF. Dropped support for aircraft-carried nuclear weapons early in 1962, but continued supporting the RAF's IRBM requirements, gradually phasing out of this mission between Jun and Nov 1963.

Detachment 1, 99th ADS (later, MMS): 1 Jun 1958-1 Jul 1961. (Located at RAF Lakenheath, England, 1 Jun-5 Sep 1958, and at RAF Honington, England, 5 Sep 1958-1 Jul 1961)

Detachment 2, 99th ADS (later, MMS): 1 Jul 1958-1 Apr 1962. (Located at RAF Lakenheath, England, 1 Jul-10 Sep 1958, and at RAF Waddington, England, 10 Sep 1958-1 Apr 1962)

Detachment 3, 99th ADS (later, MMS): 1 Jul 1958-13 Jul 1961. (Located at RAF Lakenheath, England, 1 Jul-5 Nov 1958, and at RAF Marham, England, 5 Nov 1958-13 Jul 1961)

Detachment 4, 99th ADS (later, MMS): 1 Oct 1959-15 Nov 1963. (RAF North Luffenham, England)

Detachment 5, 99th ADS (later, MMS): 1 Oct 1959-25 Jun 1963. (RAF Driffield, England)

Detachment 6, 99th ADS (later, MMS): 1 Oct 1959-15 Aug 1963. (RAF Hemswell, England)

Detachment 7, 99th ADS (later, MMS): 1 Oct 1959-25 Sep 1963. (RAF Feltwell, England)

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