

## 388<sup>th</sup> OPERATIONS SUPPORT SQUADRON



### MISSION

#### LINEAGE

388<sup>th</sup> Base Headquarters and Air Base Squadron constituted, 1 Jul 1942

Activated, 16 Jul 1942

Disbanded, 30 Apr 1944

Reconstituted and redesignated 388<sup>th</sup> Operations Support Squadron and activated, 1 Dec 1991

#### STATIONS

Luke Field, AZ, 16 Jul 1942

Deming AAF, NM, 2 Oct 1942 – 30 Apr 1944

Hill AFB, UT, 1 Dec 1991

#### ASSIGNMENTS

Army Air Force West Coast Training Center (later AAF Western Flying Training Command), 16 July 1942 – 30 April 1944

388<sup>th</sup> Operations Group, 1 Dec 1991

#### COMMANDERS

#### HONORS

##### Service Streamers

##### Campaign Streamers

World War II

American Theater, 1942-1944

##### Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

## Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards

1 May 1991-30 Apr 1993

1 June 1995-31 May 1997

1 May 2002-31 May 2003

1 Jun 2005-31 May 2007

Meritorious Unit Award

1 Jun 2007 – 31 May 2009

## EMBLEM



388<sup>th</sup> Operations Support Squadron emblem: An or circle, symbolizing the sun is centered on an ultramarine azure disc. An ultramarine azure mountain range is placed at honor point on the or circle and extends from dexter to sinister. An argent lightning bolt is surmounted over the mountain range, also at the honor point and extends diagonally from dexter chief to sinister base. A sable stylized aircraft in flight is positioned over all. A gules contrail issuants the aircraft and circles the sun from dexter base. The disc is bordered with gules. **SIGNIFICANCE:** The red-bordered circular shield is symbolic of the global mission of the squadron. The yellow sun emblazoned upon a dark blue background symbolizes the night sky. Ultramarine blue also represents the continuous nature of operational support provided by the squadron. The mountains depict the timeless strength lent from the foundation of professional and dedicated support. The stylized aircraft and lightning bolt represent the striking power that flows forth from the support provided by the squadron. The motto "Raptors" is significant of the aggressive teamwork and backbone support given by the squadron within the wing.

## MOTTO

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**OPERATIONS**

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Air Force Order of Battle

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