

432nd FIGHTER INTERCEPTOR SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE

432nd Fighter Squadron activated, 14 May 1943 (by special authority prior to constitution)

Constituted, 15 May 1943

Inactivated, 1 Apr 1949

Redesignated 432nd Fighter Interceptor Squadron, 10 Oct 1952

Activated, 1 Dec 1952

Inactivated, 2 Jan 1958

STATIONS

Charters Towers, Australia, 14 May 1943

Amberley Field, Australia, 11 Jun 1943

Dobodura, New Guinea, 14 Aug 1943 (operated from Port Moresby, New Guinea, 12 Aug-1 Sep 1943)

Nadzab, New Guinea, 25 Mar 1944

Hollandia, New Guinea, 15 May 1944

Biak, 12 Jul 1944

Dulag, Leyte, 2 Nov 1944 (detachment operated from San Jose, Mindoro, 5 Feb-2 Mar 1945)

Clark Field, Luzon, 27 Feb 1945

Lingayen, Luzon, 19 Apr 1945

Ie Shima, 8 Aug 1945

Kimpo, Korea, 28 Sep 1945

Itazuke, Japan, 28 Aug 1948

Ashiya, Japan, 25 Mar-1 Apr 1949

Truax Field, WI, 10 Oct 1952

Minneapolis-St Paul Intl Apt, MN, 18 Aug 1955-2 Jan 1958

ASSIGNMENTS

475th Fighter Group, 14 May 1943-1 Apr 1949

31st Air Division, 1 Dec 1952

90th Air Defense Group, 16 Feb 1953

475th Fighter Group, 18 Aug 1955-2 Jan 1958

WEAPON SYSTEMS

P-38, 1943-1946

P-51, 1946-1949

F-86, 1952-1955

F-89, 1955-1957

F-86F

F-86D

F-89J

P-38H

P-38G

P-38L

P-51D

COMMANDERS

Maj Frank D. Tomkins

LTC John S. Loisel

Cpt Henry L. Condon II

Maj Dean W. Dutrack

Maj Elliot E. Summer

HONORS

Service Streamers

None

Campaign Streamers

China Defensive

New Guinea

Bismarck Archipelago

Western Pacific

Leyte

Luzon

Southern Philippines

China Offensive

Air Combat, Asiatic-Pacific Theater

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

None

Decorations

Distinguished Unit Citations

New Guinea, 18 and 21 Aug 1943

New Guinea, 15 and 17 Oct 1943

Philippine Islands, 25 Oct-25 Dec 1944

Philippine Presidential Unit Citation

EMBLEM



432nd Fighter Squadron emblem

432nd Fighter Interceptor Squadron emblem: on an irregular disc shape black, edged gold color, issuing from upper edge of disc a stylized eagle's leg, the talons and feathers white, the foot gold color, grasping a lightning flash red, the point extending over the edge of the disc. (Approved, 9 Mar 1955)

MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

Combat in Southwest and Western Pacific, 13 Aug 1943-21 Jul 1945.

The 432nd FIS F-89 era was another Project Arrow transfer. On August 18, 1955, the 432nd FIS designation was relocated from Truax AFB to Minneapolis-St. Paul IAP to replace the 337th FIS. The 432nd FIS had originally been activated at Truax to replace the 126th FIS of the Wisconsin ANG after their Korean Conflict activation had expired. Of late, they had been flying F-86Ds.

At Minneapolis-St. Paul IAP the 432nd FIS had twenty-two F-89Ds at the end of 1955 and began conversion to F-89Hs in early 1956, possessing twelve F-89Ds and thirteen F-89Hs by the end of June.

On January 2,1958, the 432nd FIS was inactivated and their entire facility and aircraft were turned over to the 109th FIS of the Minnesota ANG.

Air Force Order of Battle

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Sources

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