

514 MISSION SUPPORT SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE

514 Base Headquarters and Air Base Squadron constituted, 8 Mar 1943

Activated, 15 Mar 1943

Disbanded, 1 May 1944

Reconstituted, redesignated 514 Mission Support Squadron, and activated in the Reserve, 1 Aug 1992

STATIONS

Ft Meyers, FL, 15 Mar 1943-1 May 1944

McGuire AFB, NJ, 1 Aug 1992

ASSIGNMENTS

514 Mission Support Group

COMMANDERS

Unknown 1943-1944

Maj Betty A. Bowen, 1 Aug 1992

Maj Alice E. Henk, 6 Mar 1993

Lt Col Robert Bergendahl, 1 Jul 1996

Maj Sharon M. Hunter, 1 Sep 1998

HONORS

Service Streamers

World War II

American Theater

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award

1 Oct 1995-30 Sep 1997

EMBLEM

As a globe Azure gridlined Argent, in dexter chief a mountain lion head erased Proper, and in sinister base a dexter hand couped, apaume and vambraced bendwise sinister Proper grasping a sword point to base bendwise sinister Gray, grip Gules, pommel and hilt Or surmounting and enfiling one link of an annulet of chain of the fourth, all within a diminished border Yellow. Attached above the disc, a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "514TH MISSION SUPPORT SQ" in Yellow letters. Attached below the disc, a Blue scroll edged with a narrow Yellow border and inscribed "SUPPORTING OUR BEST" in Yellow letters. **SIGNIFICANCE:** 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. The globe denotes the Squadron's worldwide support of its parent wing. The mountain lion suggests the spirit of fierce determination demonstrated by unit members in supporting the wing mission. The armored hand clutching a sword symbolizes a proud history of providing mission support in times of peace and war. The chain suggests all personnel joined in function tasks to assure mission accomplishment.

The mountain lion featured on a reflex blue disk is the unit mascot and represents the fierce determination of unit members in supporting the wing mission. Lines of longitude and, latitude serve to define the unit's ability to support the world wide mission of the wing. The mailed fist clutching a sword symbolizes a proud history of providing combat support in times of peace and war. The linked chain alludes to the joining of all unit personnel together to assure mission accomplishment. All elements of the emblem reflect the unit's motto: SUPPORTING OUR BEST, (Approved, 12 Jan 2000)

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OPERATIONS

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Sources

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