57th AEROMEDICAL EVACUATION SQUADRON

LINEAGE

STATIONS
Clark AB, Philippines, 13 Jan 1966-1 Aug 1972
Scott AFB, IL, 15 Aug 1973

ASSIGNMENTS

COMMANDERS

HONORS
Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

EMBLEM SIGNIFICANCE

MOTTO

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OPERATIONS
In October 1973, the wing established a centralized aeromedical evacuation center on Scott,
assuming functions of three smaller centers. By the time the War in Vietnam concluded in 1975, Air Force plans were in progress to improve aeromedical evacuation by further consolidating command and control, equipment and resources under the 375th. The 57th AES was activated on 15 Aug 1973.

25-26 Feb 1978 In two urgent C-9A missions, the 11th Aeromedical Airlift Squadron and the 57th Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron crews airlifted 14 burn casualties from a train derailment disaster at Waverly, Tennessee. The train had derailed as a result of a propane rail tank explosion. The Nightingales transported the burn victims to burn centers at Birmingham, Alabama; Louisville, Kentucky; Cincinnati, Ohio; and Durham, North Carolina.

24 Feb 1991 In preparation for large numbers of wounded, the wing’s 57th Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron deployed to Myrtle Beach AFB, South Carolina with a 240-person team of pilots, nurses, medical technicians, aircraft mechanics and support personnel, in five C-9A.

To further simplify the Air Force’s organizational structure, the Air Force Chief of Staff directed an Air Force-wide renaming of support units to take on the numerical designation of their respective parent organization. The 57th Aeromedical Evacuation Squadron was inactivated on 1 July 1994. The 375 AES assumed the mission, personnel, and equipment of the 57th, but not its lineage and honors.