



United States Air Force **Lineage and Honors History**

439 Airlift Wing (AFRC)

Lineage. Established as 439 Troop Carrier Wing, Medium on 19 May 1949. Activated in the Reserve on 27 Jun 1949. Ordered to active service on 1 Apr 1951. Inactivated on 3 Apr 1951. Redesignated as 439 Fighter-Bomber Wing on 26 May 1952. Activated in the Reserve on 15 Jun 1952. Inactivated on 16 Nov 1957. Redesignated as 439 Tactical Airlift Wing on 14 Mar 1974. Activated in the Reserve on 1 Apr 1974. Redesignated as: 439 Military Airlift Wing on 1 Oct 1987; 439 Airlift Wing on 1 Feb 1992.

Assignments. Tenth Air Force, 27 Jun 1949-3 Apr 1951. Tenth Air Force, 15 Jun 1952-16 Nov 1957. Eastern Air Force Reserve Region, 1 Apr 1974; Fourteenth Air Force, 8 Oct 1976; Twenty-Second Air Force, 1 Jul 1993; Fourth Air Force, 1 Oct 2011-.

Operational Components. *Groups.* **439** Troop Carrier (later, Fighter-Bomber; Military Airlift; Operations): 27 Jun 1949-3 Apr 1951; 15 Jun 1952-16 Nov 1957; 1 Aug 1992-. **911** Airlift: 1 Oct 1980-1 Aug 1992. **914** Airlift: 25 Jan 1976-1 Aug 1992. *Squadrons.* **337** Airlift: 1 Apr 1974-1 Aug 1992. **731** Tactical Airlift: 1 Apr 1974-1 Oct 1982.

Stations. Selfridge AFB, MI, 27 Jun 1949-3 Apr 1951. Selfridge AFB, MI, 15 Jun 1952-16 Nov 1957. Westover AFB (later, ARB), MA, 1 Apr 1974-.

Service Streamers. None.

Campaign Streamers. None.

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers. None.

Decorations. Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards: 1 Jan 1975-31 Dec 1976; 15 Jun 1989-15 Jun 1991; 1 Oct 1999-30 Sep 2001; 1 Oct 2001-30 Sep 2003; 1 Jul 2005-30 Jun 2007; 1 Jul 2007-30 Jun 2009.

Bestowed Honors. Authorized to display honors earned by the 439 Operations Group prior to 19 May 1949. **Service Streamers.** World War II American Theater. **Campaign Streamers.** *World War II:* Rome-Arno; Southern France; Normandy; Northern France; Rhineland; Ardennes-Alsace; Central Europe. **Decorations.** Distinguished Unit Citation: France, 6-7 Jun 1944. French Croix de Guerre with Palm: 6-7 Jun 1944; 15 Aug 1944. French Fourragere.

Lineage, Assignments, Components, Stations, and Honors through 21 Nov 2023.

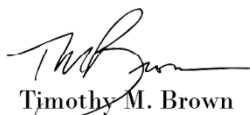
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