



Symbolism

Miami River: The Great Miami River is a major tributary in southwestern Ohio to the Ohio River. We received our squadron namesake from this great river and the many valleys it runs through including our community and our serving areas. The name is derived from the Miami Indians.

Wright "B" Flyer: The Wright "B" was an early pusher designed by the Wright brothers in the United States in 1910. For a generation right here in Miamisburg, Ohio we have been flying and displaying a modern fully operational lookalike of their first production airplane—the Model B. This airplane is a two-seated sports biplane and powered by a 35-hp Wright piston engine. Our squadron and the fully operational Wright "B" Flyer are both housed at the Dayton-Wright Brothers Airport (KMGY).

Atom: The Atom within our patch is symbolic to the local and our close proximity to the research facility, "Mound Laboratory." The facility holds a significant part of history and leading edge in the Nuclear Age and in the hearts and minds of the dedicated scientists and workers who labored there for more than 50 years. The Mound built components for NASA to help go to the moon, Mars, Jupiter, Saturn, Uranus, Neptune, and the sun by reliably powering their instruments and keeping them at operational temperatures. At the start-up of the laboratory, they produced polonium initiators. Mound was the Nation's first Post-War Atomic Energy Commission site to be constructed. Work at Mound evolved and grew to include additional radionuclides (e.g., radium and actinium, thorium, plutonium) the research in and the manufacture of explosives for initiators in weapons, the development of radio isotopic thermoelectric generators, and other non-nuclear research and development activities.

Motto: Sic Parvis Magna: Squadron quote “Greatness from Small things”.

“Greatness from small beginnings” was the motto of Sir Francis Drake the famous navigator and sailor. This small phrase is very powerful. It means that anyone can become great no matter where they started out. We provide support to our volunteers so we can fully support our communities, saving lives, and shaping futures.

Coloration:

1. White - Purity and Innocence (USA color)
2. Green - Prosperity (our connection to Dayton, OH “The Gem City”) and also represents our Ground Team
3. Light Blue - Peace
4. Blue- Vigilance, Perseverance & Justice (USA, USAF, and CAP colors) and represents our Air Team
5. Red - Courage, Hardiness and Valor (USA & CAP colors)
6. Gold – Energy (USAF and CAP colors)