



TO HONOR

THE 86TH U. S. AIR FORCE FIGHTER WING DURING 1948 - 1955

The 86th was initially organized at Neubiberg, Germany in 1948 and served continuously in Germany for many years beyond 1955. It had four different commanders during that period: Colonels C. T. Edwinston, J. S. Chennault, G. R. Bickell and J. O. Beckwith. During the post-WWII era, the 86th Fighter Wing was one of two fighter units assigned as part of the Occupation Forces in the American Sector of Germany. The assignment of personnel to the Wing during the period from 1948 to 1954 brought together a unique group of people; a group who shared a common bond and a close personal friendship. That friendship has endured for the past half a century. We honor all those who served in the 86th Wing from 1948 - 1955.

"Virtus Perdurat" --- "Courage Will Endure"

By the fifteen officers of the Wing whose names are on the reverse

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