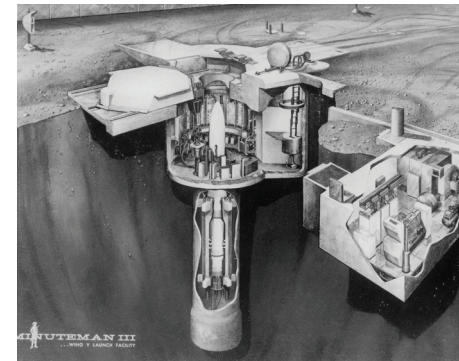
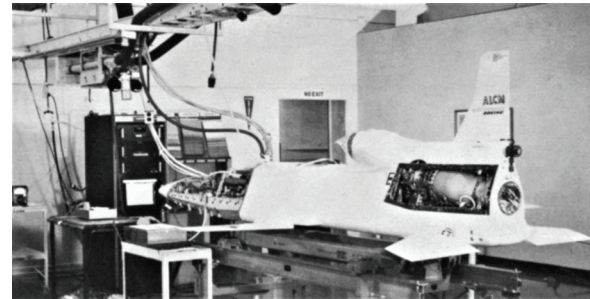
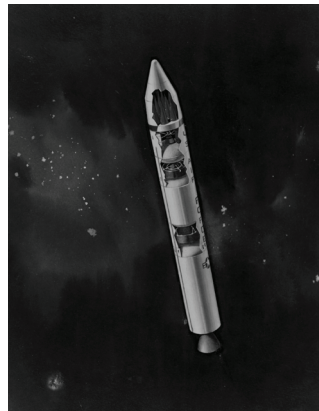


# 80 YEARS OF EXCELLENCE



# HILL AIR FORCE BASE IN THE 1980s



**February 19, 1980**

President Jimmy Carter assigned the highest national priority to the MX (later called the Peacekeeper) Intercontinental Ballistic Missile (ICBM) program. During the 1980s, Hill AFB's Ogden Air Logistics Center (OO-ALC) served as the Logistics Systems Program Manager for the nation's entire ICBM deterrent force.

**March 20, 1980**

The last F-4 Phantom assigned to the 388th Tactical Fighter Wing (TFW) departed Hill AFB.

**July 2, 1980**

388th Tactical Fighter Wing (TFW) pilots ferried the first four F-16s to Israel. The aircraft departed Hill AFB on June 2, 1980, and flew to General Dynamics in Fort Worth, Texas. After a final check, they departed on July 2 for Israel, arriving in 11 hours and setting a record for F-16 non-stop flight.

**September 3, 1980**

Hill AFB became the Depot Source of Repair for the AGM-86B Air Launched Cruise Missile (ALCM) due to the installation's Technology Repair Center assignment for missile repair.

**February 1981**

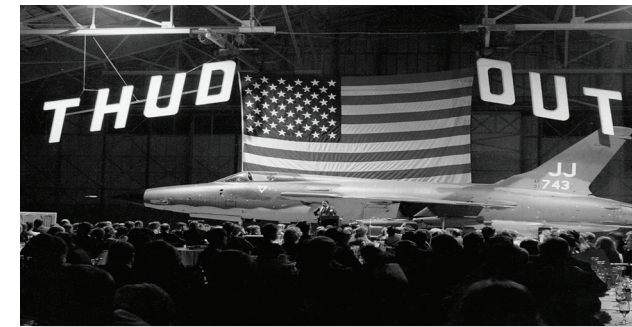
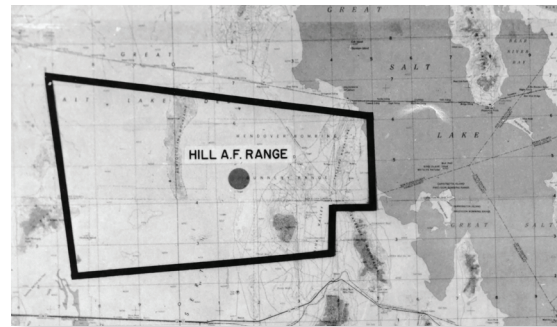
As part of an Intercontinental Ballistic Missile (ICBM) modernization program, Hill AFB's Ogden Air Logistics Center (OO-ALC) initiated a Minuteman ICBM logistics long range plan to provide systematic, timely, and cost effective ways of maintaining the operational effectiveness of the Minuteman Weapon System.

**August 1981**

The depot began maintenance on 10 Federal Republic of Germany F-4s at Hill AFB.

**August 9, 1982**

The Ogden Air Logistics Center (OO-ALC) completed Programmed Depot Maintenance (PDM) on the first three of thirty-five scheduled F-4E aircraft sold to Egypt under the Peace Pharaoh program.



**October 31, 1986**

The Secretary of the Air Force (SECAF) selected the F-16 as the nation's new Air Defense Fighter. As a result, Hill AFB began modification of 270 Air National Guard F-16s.

**May 9, 1986**

The Air Force issued a permit allowing the State of Utah to begin construction on the West Desert Pumping Project. Designed to lower the level of the Great Salt Lake due to flooding, the pumping project formed a large evaporation pond west of the lake on the Utah Test and Training Range (UTTR).

**July 1, 1985**

The depot began the F-16 Falcon Structure Program to prevent bulkhead cracking.

**October 15, 1983**

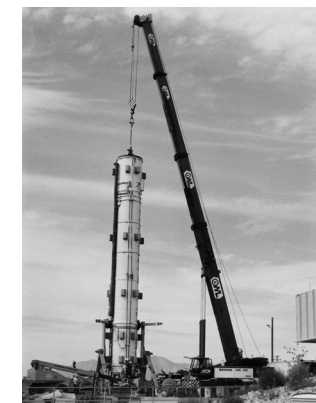
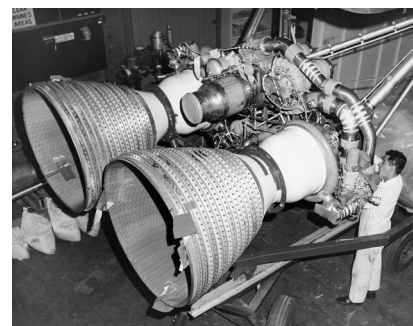
The Reserve 419th Tactical Fighter Wing (TFW) received its first F-16 Fighting Falcon, Serial No. 78-0070.

**October 1, 1982**

The Reserve 508th Tactical Fighter Group (TFG), a tenant at Hill AFB and largest Reserve unit in Utah, re-designated as the 419th Tactical Fighter Wing (TFW).

**September 9, 1982**

President Ronald Reagan visited Hill AFB during a campaign stop for Utah Senator Orrin Hatch, becoming the first President of the United States to set foot on the installation.



**May 2, 1987**

Hill Air Force Base's Heritage Museum and Aerospace Park opened. The museum hosted more than 50,000 visitors during its first summer. On October 3, 1991, this museum became the Hill Aerospace Museum when it moved to its current location upon the completion of newly constructed buildings funded by the State of Utah.

**September 30, 1987**

Hill AFB ended its support of all Titan II Intercontinental Ballistic Missile (ICBM) System Program Management due to the system's deactivation.

**January 1988**

A portion of the OV-10 Bronco and C-130 Hercules workload transferred from the San Antonio Air Logistics Center to Hill AFB's Ogden Air Logistics Center to balance workloads across the logistics centers.

**January 6, 1988**

The first OV-10A arrived at Hill AFB to begin a new aircraft maintenance refurbishment program. Active through September 1990, the project required approximately 16,000 man-hours per aircraft and included structural refurbishment, rewiring, and installation of a secure voice radio on 48 OV-10s.

**July 1988**

The first C-130 arrived at Hill AFB for Programmed Depot Maintenance (PDM). The program initially called for completion of PDM on 30 C-130s per year with each aircraft requiring about 10,000 man-hours.

**January 1, 1989**

Hill AFB's Peacekeeper Intercontinental Ballistic Missile (ICBM) test facility became operational at the Hill Engineering Test Facility (HETF), in use since January 1966 for Minuteman ICBM support. The facility supported a large Peacekeeper ICBM software development and test effort through 1989.

**January 3, 1989**

Personnel completed the first C-130 to go through Programmed Depot Maintenance (PDM) on Hill AFB.