56TH FIGHTER WING - LUKE AIR FORCE BASE

MISSION
We train the world’s greatest fighter pilots and combat ready Airmen!

VISION
We build the future of Airpower.

MINDSET
We are changing the Air Force from within the 56th Fighter Wing.

Additionally, the 56th Fighter Wing oversees the Gila Bend Air Force Auxiliary Field and is steward of the 1.7 million acre Barry M. Goldwater Military Training Range.

LUKE HISTORY
Luke Air Force Base is named for the WWI flying ace and Phoenix native Lieutenant Frank Luke Jr., the first aviator to receive the Medal of Honor. Lieutenant Luke scored 18 aerial victories, 14 against German observation balloons, before being killed at the age of 21 on Sept. 29, 1918.

WE TRAIN 75% OF THE WORLD’S F-35 PILOTS

F-35A LIGHTNING II
Home to 94 F-35s

F-16 FIGHTING FALCON
Home to 77 F-16s

THUNDERBOLT NATION
Since 1941, Luke has graduated over 61,000 pilots.
105 F-35 pilots annually
188 F-16 pilots annually
79 Intel specialists annually
98 F-35 maintainers annually
39 nurses annually
8 medical lab technicians annually
16 Critical Care/Emergency Trauma Fellowship annually

PARTNERS IN TRAINING

United States  Australia  Italy  Netherlands  Norway  Singapore

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