TF-102A "Delta Dagger"



Adopted by SMSgt Ralph Watkins & the Evans Family

The TF-102 is the trainer version of the F-102, which was the first operational delta-winged fighter in the USAF and the first operational fighter designed to defend itself with missiles and rockets only (no guns). Our Museum's TF-102 is the first of these trainers built and was flown by USAF units at Selfridge from 1958 to 1961. TF-102A #54-1351 was moved over the road from Chanute AFB, IL to Selfridge in 1988.

AIRCRAFT STATISTICS

Wingspan: 38' 2"	Engine: J-57-P23
Length: 68' 5"	Thrust: 17,200 lbs.
Height: 9' 4"	Speed: 810 mph
Weight: 31,500 lbs.	1 st Flight: 1955
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