

**U-TAPAO RTAFB**  
**635th SPS**  
**Thanksgiving Menu, 1968**

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**635th SPS K-9 - Brutus X321 - U-Tapao RTAFB 1970-1971**

I just would like to thank all of you for your efforts to further the K-9 cause this year! I was looking through some old stuff today and came across a Thanksgiving Menu from 1968 that I received from Ron Saville (U-Tapao Shep 69M1) and I thought it would make a wonderful Thanksgiving message. Remember back a few years (30+) as you had Thanksgiving dinner at Ubon RTAFB, Udorn RTAFB, U-Tapao, Korat, Don Muang, Takhli, and NKP - didn't that turkey smell good? Sometimes it even tasted good! Happy Thanksgiving and please think of our K-9 troops serving everywhere in the world.



**U-Tapao Airfield, Thailand**  
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- Assorted Relish Tray
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