

304th TROOP CARRIER SQUADRON (HEAVY)

LINEAGE

304th Troop Carrier Squadron constituted, 25 May 1943
Activated, 1 Sep 1943
Inactivated, 30 Sep 1946
Redesignated 304th Troop Carrier Squadron (Medium), 10 May 1949
Activated in the reserve, 27 Jun 1949
Ordered to active service, 10 Mar 1951
Inactivated, 12 Mar 1951
Activated in the reserve, 15 Jun 1952
Redesignated 304th Troop Carrier Squadron (Heavy), 8 May 1961
Ordered to active service, 1 Oct 1961
Relieved from active duty, 27 Aug 1962

STATIONS

Sedalia AAFld, MO, 1 Sep 1943
Alliance AAFld, NE, 16 Dec 1943
Pope Field, NC, 26 Jan 1944
Baer Field, IN, 2-9 Mar 1944
Fulbeck, England, 29 Mar 1944
Weston Zoyland, England, c. 12 Jun 1944 (operated from Follonica, Italy, 18 Jul-24 Aug 1944)
Peray, France, 5 Oct 1944
St Andre-de-L'Eure, France, 9 Nov 1944 (operated from Metz, France, May-Sep 1945)
Munich, Germany, Sep 1945-30 Sep 1946
Fairfax Field, KS, 27 Jun 1949
Olathe NAS, KS, 27 May 1950-12 Mar 1951
Olathe NAS, KS, 15 Jun 1952
Grandview AFB, MO, 3 Apr 1955

ASSIGNMENTS

442nd Troop Carrier Group, 1 Sep 1943-30 Sep 1946
442nd Troop Carrier Group, 27 Jun 1949-12 Mar 1951
442nd Troop Carrier Group, 15 Jun 1952
442nd Troop Carrier Wing, 14 Apr 1959
936th Troop Carrier Group, 17 Jan 1963

WEAPON SYSTEMS

C-47, 1943-1946

C-124, 1961-1962

ASSIGNED AIRCRAFT SERIAL NUMBERS

ASSIGNED AIRCRAFT TAIL/BASE CODES

UNIT COLORS

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

None

Campaign Streamers

Rome-Arno

Normandy

Northern France

Southern France

Rhineland

Central Europe

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Distinguished Unit Citation

France, [6-7] Jun 1944

EMBLEM

On an Air Force golden yellow disc bordered Air Force blue, a white cloud formation issuing from base; standing on the cloud a green dragon in upright, profile position, his wings and barbed tail upraised, his tongue and pupils of eyes red, his teeth and stomach white; on the creature's head an Air Force blue baseball cap and white earphones; clutched in his right forefoot, a white cargo bundle and in his left forefoot a paratrooper, Air Force blue, suspended from an open parachute, white; the ridge of the dragon's spine and the barb on his tail dark green; outlines and details Air Force blue throughout. (Approved, 6 Aug 1962)

EMBLEM SIGNIFICANCE

MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

Airborne assaults on Normandy, Southern France, Holland, and Germany, and transportation of cargo and passengers in ETO and MTO, during World War II.

440218	CG-4A	43-42381	304TCS	442TCG	Pope Field, Fayetteville, NC	FLMAC	Anderson, Mathew G	Camp Mackall, NC
440218	CG-4A	43-41020	304TCS	442TCG	Pope Field, Fayetteville, NC	KMAC	Flaherty, John C	Camp Mackall, NC
440218	CG-4A	42-62019	304TCS	442TCG	Pope Field, Fayetteville, NC	LACGC	Giverson, Victor H	Camp Mackall, NC
441230	C-47A	42-92380	304TCS	442TCG	B24	CRL	Blanton, Curtis E	Seine River/ nr
450119	C-47A	42-92424	304TCS	442TCG	B24	LAC	Andreasen, Dinal S	St Andre-de-l'Eure/B-24
450406	C-47A	42-92422	304TCS	442TCG	B24	KCR	Williams, Roy A	Hesse
450414	C-47A	42-92456	304TCS	442TCG	B24	LAC	White, Windsor R	Le Harve/Y-30
450424	C-47A	42-92459	304TCS	442TCG	B24	KTOA	Rayley, Hale H	Metz/Y-34
460225	C-47A	43-15202	304TCS	442TCG		TOA	Payne, James F	Eschborn
460506	C-47A	43-15676	304TCS	442TCG		BMAC	Frederick, Robert C	Heidelberg/ 3 1/2mi NNE
460506	C-47A	42-93717	304TCS	442TCG		MAC	Williford, John G	Heidelberg/ 3 1/2mi NNE
450625	C-47A	42-100960	304TCS	442TCG	B24	TAC	Simmer, Leonard K	Metz/Y-34

Air Force Order of Battle

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Sources