

463 BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON, VERY HEAVY



MISSION

Replacement training

LINEAGE

463 Bombardment Squadron (Heavy) constituted, 1 Jul 1942

Activated, 6 Jul 1942

Inactivated, 1 Apr 1944

Redesignated 463 Bombardment Squadron, Very Heavy, 4 Aug 1944

Activated, 18 Aug 1944

Inactivated, 30 Jun 1946

STATIONS

Salt Lake City AAB, UT, 6 Jul 1942

Casper AAFld, WY, 15 Sep 1942-1 Apr 1944

Dalhart AAFld, TX, 18 Aug 1944

Pratt AAFld, KS, 12 Dec 1944-29 Jun 1945

Kadena, Okinawa, 13 Aug 1945-30 Jun 1946

ASSIGNMENTS

331 Bombardment Group, 6 Jul 1942-1 Apr 1944

346 Bombardment Group, 18 Aug 1944-30 Jun 1946

WEAPON SYSTEMS

B-17, 1942-1943

B-24, 1943-1944

B-17, 1945

B-29, 1945-1946

C-46, 1946

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

American Theater

Asiatic-Pacific Theater

Campaign Streamers

None

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

None

EMBLEM



On a yellow disc within a light blue border, piped white, a caricatured brown rabbit, trimmed white, balancing on the right hind foot on white cloud formation in base, and hurling a red aerial bomb held in the right forepaw. (Approved, 8 Mar 1943)

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OPERATIONS

USAF UNIT HISTORIES

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