

# 493<sup>rd</sup> BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON

## MISSION

### LINEAGE

45<sup>th</sup> Aero Squadron organized, Jul 1917

Redesignated 81<sup>st</sup> Aero Squadron, Aug 1917

Redesignated 81<sup>st</sup> Aero Squadron (Construction), Sep 1917

Redesignated 493<sup>rd</sup> Aero Squadron (Construction), Feb 1918

Demobilized, Jan 1919

493<sup>rd</sup> Bombardment Squadron constituted in the Organized Reserve, 31 Mar 1924

Initiated, 8 Sep 1926

Inactivated, 1 Dec 1929

493<sup>rd</sup> Aero Squadron (Construction) reconstituted and consolidated with 493<sup>rd</sup> Bombardment Squadron, 5 Dec 1936. Consolidated organization designated 493<sup>rd</sup> Bombardment Squadron

Disbanded, 31 May 1942

### STATIONS

Kelly Field, TX

Garden City, NY, Nov 1917

Port of Hoboken, NY, Nov 1917

AEF, Nov 1917

Camp Devens, MA

Not initiated 1924-1926

Racine, WI, 1926-1929

Inactive 1929-1937

Milwaukee, WI, 1937-1941

### ASSIGNMENTS

350<sup>th</sup> Bombardment Group

### COMMANDERS

Maj Fred W. Sizer, 8 Sep 1926-1 Dec 1929

Inactive, 1 Dec 1929-28 Jul 1937  
Unknown, 28 Jul 1937-7 Dec 1941

## **HONORS**

### **Service Streamers**

### **Campaign Streamers**

### **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

### **Decorations**

## **EMBLEM**

## **MOTTO**

## **NICKNAME**

## **OPERATIONS**

Constituted in the Organized Reserve on 31 March 1924, assigned to the 350th Bombardment Group (GHQR), and allotted to the Sixth Corps Area. Initiated on 8 September 1926 at Racine, WI. Inactivated on 1 December 1929 at Racine by relief of personnel. Consolidated on 5 December 1936 with the 493rd Aero Squadron (a WWI unit organized in July 1917 at Kelly Field, TX, as the 45th Aero Squadron; redesignated as the 81st Aero Squadron August 1917; redesignated as the 493rd Aero Squadron [Construction] in February 1918; demobilized in January 1919 at Camp Devens, MA; reconstituted on 5 December 1936). Reorganized on 28 July 1937 at Milwaukee, WI. Conducted summer training at various locations to include Selfridge Field, MI, Chanute Field, IL, and Scott Field, IL.

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Air Force Order of Battle  
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### Sources

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