

500 FIGHTER-BOMBER SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE

306 Bombardment Squadron (Light) constituted, 13 Jan 1942
Activated, 10 Feb 1942
Redesignated 306 Bombardment Squadron (Dive), 27 Jul 1942
Redesignated 500 Fighter-Bomber Squadron, 10 Aug 1943
Disbanded, 1 May 1944

STATIONS

Savannah AB, GA, 10 Feb 1942
Bowman Field, KY, 16 Feb 1942
Hunter Field, GA, 8 Jun 1942
Waycross, GA, 15 Aug 1942
Gillespie Field, TN, 3 Oct 1942
Blythe AAB, CA, 2 Nov 1942
Rice, CA, 11 Dec 1942
Harding Field, LA, 9 Apr 1943
Waycross AAFld, GA, 23 Aug 1943
Harris Neck AAFld, GA, 11 Dec 1943-1 May 1944

ASSIGNMENTS

85 Bombardment (later Fighter-Bomber) Group, 10 Feb 1942-1 May 1944

WEAPON SYSTEMS

V-72, 1942

A-24, 1942-1943
A-36, 1943
P-39, 1943-1944
P-40, 1944

COMMANDERS

Capt Dana E. Noel

HONORS

Service Streamers

American Theater

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

Over and through a disc yellow, a figure in bathing suit, shirt red and white stripes, pants blue, wearing a white aviator's helmet and goggles, grasping nose in left hand, and an aerial bomb orange, fins white, in the right hand extended forward and down through rim of disc; speed lines white. (Approved, 31 Aug 1942)

MOTTO

OPERATIONS

Participated in air-ground maneuvers, Oct 1942-Apr 1943, and afterward served as a replacement training unit until 1 May 1944.

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Sources

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