

526th BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON, HEAVY



MISSION

LINEAGE

526th Bombardment Squadron (Heavy) constituted, 28 Oct 1942
Activated, 3 Nov 1942
Inactivated, 25 Jul 1945
Redesignated 526th Bombardment Squadron, Medium, 12 Jul 1955
Activated, 1 Nov 1955
Redesignated 526th Bombardment Squadron, Heavy, 9 Jan 1961
Discontinued and inactivated, 1 Feb 1963

STATIONS

Geiger Field, WA, 3 Nov 1942
Wendover Field, UT, 2 Dec 1942
Sioux City AAB, IA, 2 Feb-9 Apr 1943
Kimbolton, England, 20 May 1943-c. 16 Jun 1945
Casablanca, French Morocco, 17 Jun-25 Jul 1945
Homestead AFB, FL, 1 Nov 1955
K. I. Sawyer AFB, MI, 1 Jun 1961-1 Feb 1963

ASSIGNMENTS

379th Bombardment Group, 3 Nov 1942-25 Jul 1945
379th Bombardment Wing, 1 Nov 1955
19th Bombardment Wing, 9 Jan 1961
4042nd Strategic Wing, 1 Jun 1961-1 Feb 1963

WEAPON SYSTEMS

B-17, 1942-1945

B-17F

B-17G

B-47, 1956-1961

B-52, 1961-1963

B-52H

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

None

Campaign Streamers

Air Offensive, Europe

Normandy

Northern France

Rhineland

Ardennes-Alsace

Central Europe

Air Combat, EAME Theater

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Distinguished Unit Citations

Continental Europe, 29 May 1943-31 Jul 1944

Germany, 11 Jan 1944

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award

1 Apr 1962-31 Jan 1963

EMBLEM

On a light blue disc, border yellow-orange, a red lightning bolt bendwise surmounted by a golden falcon, outlined black; three mullets gold, one in chief, one to sinister and one to dexter, in base a black aerial bomb falling bendwise. (Approved, 10 Jul 1943)

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OPERATIONS

Combat in ETO, 29 May 1943-25 Apr 1945.

