

# **543<sup>rd</sup> BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (HEAVY)**

## **MISSION**

## **LINEAGE**

543<sup>rd</sup> Bombardment Squadron (Heavy) constituted, 28 Oct 1942

Activated, 3 Nov 1942

Inactivated, 1 Apr 1944

## **STATIONS**

Salt Lake City AAB, UT, 3 Nov 1942

Rapid City AAB, SD, 12 Nov 1942

Ainsworth AAFld, NE, 13 Dec 1942

Rapid City AAB, SD, 6 Apr 1943

Geiger Field, WA, 20 Jun 1943

Peterson Field, CO, 26 Oct 1943-1 Apr 1944

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

383<sup>rd</sup> Bombardment Group, 3 Nov 1942-1 Apr 1944

## **WEAPON SYSTEMS**

B-17, 1943

B-17F

B-24, 1943-1944

## **COMMANDERS**

## **HONORS**

### **Service Streamers**

American Theater

### **Campaign Streamers**

None

### **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

**Decorations**

None

**EMBLEM**

None

**MOTTO****NICKNAME****OPERATIONS**

Operational training unit, Jan-Oct 1943; replacement training, Oct 1943-1 Apr 1944.