601st BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (HEAVY)



MISSION

LINEAGE

601st Bombardment Squadron (Heavy) constituted, 15 Feb 1943 Activated, 1 Mar 1943 Inactivated, 1 Sep 1945

STATIONS

Ephrata AAB, WA, 1 Mar 1943 Blythe AAFId, CA, 5 Apr 1943 Geiger Field, WA, 1 May 1943 Rapid City AAB, SD, 22 Jun 1943-4 Apr 1944 Nuthampstead, England, 22 Apr 1944-26 May 1945 Drew Field, FL, 3 Jul-1 Sep 1945

ASSIGNMENTS

398th Bombardment Group, 1 Mar 1943-1 Sep 1945

WEAPON SYSTEMS

B-17, 193-1945 B-17F B-17G

COMMANDERS

HONORS Service Streamers American Theater

Campaign Streamers

Air Offensive, Europe
Normandy
Northern France
Rhineland
Ardennes-Alsace
Central Europe
Air Combat, EAME Theater

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

None

EMBLEM

On a light pastel green disc, border black, piped white, a baby proper, under a golden halo, wearing a red suit and aviator's helmet, black and green ear phones and goggles, having black horns, trimmed white, and black bat wipgs, grasping in thb left hand a white trident with black aerial bomb prongs, in flight above the flames of the fires of Hell proper. (Approved, 25 Oct 1943) Patch was designed by Gil Goldman, 601st Bombardment Squadron bombardier.

MOTTO

NICKNAME

CALL SIGN

NEWWAY

OPERATIONS

Combat in ETO, 6 May 1944-25 Apr 1945.

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Sources

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