

603rd BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON, HEAVY



MISSION

LINEAGE

603rd Bombardment Squadron (Heavy) constituted, 15 Feb 1943

Activated, 1 Mar 1943

Inactivated, 1 Sep 1945

STATIONS

Ephrata AAB, WA, 1 Mar 1943

Blythe AAFld, 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, 1943-1945

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 lemon yellow disc, the head and shoulders of a pugnacious, caricatured black bull dog proper, chewing on fin of black aerial bomb, and wearing brown aviator's helmet, tan goggles, trimmed blue, brick red jersey, and a light turquoise blue scarf wrapped about the neck. (Approved, 25 Oct 1943)

MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

Combat in ETO, 6 May 1944-25 Apr 1945

Air Force Lineage and Honors

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Sources

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