

668 BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON, HEAVY



MISSION

LINEAGE

668 Bombardment Squadron (Light) constituted, 25 Jan 1943

Activated, 5 Feb 1943

Inactivated, 11 Oct 1945

Redesignated 668 Bombardment Squadron (Heavy) and activated, 15 Nov 1962

Organized, 1 Feb 1963

STATIONS

Will Rogers Field, OK, 5 Feb 1943

Lake Charles AAFld, LA, 4 Jun 1943

Laurel AAFld, MS, 1 Nov 1943-1 Jan 1944

Wethersfield, England, 2 Feb 1944

Melun, France, 25 Sep 1944

Laon/Athies, France, 10Feb 1945

Cormeilles-en-Vexin, France, 25 May 1945

Laon, France, 27 Jul-13 Sep 1945

Camp Myles Standish, MA, 10-11 Oct 1945

Griffiss AFB, NY, 1 Feb 1963

ASSIGNMENTS

416th Bombardment Group, 5 Feb 1943-11 Oct 1945

Strategic Air Command, 15 Nov 1962

416th Bombardment Wing, 1 Feb 1963

WEAPON SYSTEMS

B-25, 1943
A-20, 1943-1944
A-20G
A-26B
A-20K
A-26C
A-26, 194-1945
B-52, 1963
B-52G
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 Citation
France, 6-9 Aug 1944

EMBLEM

668 Bombardment Squadron (Light) emblem: On a red disc, border white, edged black, a caricatured white goat, outlined black, running at top speed, emitting white speed lines, and butting disc to form large impact marks in shape of irregular star yellow and white, all in front of and over a large aerial bomb yellow falling to sinister base, between two yellow lightning bolts, points to sinister base. **SIGNIFICANCE:** The red background represents the squadron color, while the bomb and lightning bolt symbolize swift, light bombardment aviation. The shattered star portrays a march of power being crushed by the speed and striking force of righteous ness, which is the goal the squadron desires to attain. (Approved, 3 June 1943)



668 Bombardment Squadron (Heavy) emblem

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OPERATIONS

Operational training unit, 4 Jun-1 Sep 1943. Combat in ETO, 3 Mar 1944-3 May 1945.

Air Force Lineage and Honors

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Sources

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