

823 MEDICAL AIR EVACUATION SQUADRON

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LINEAGE

823 Medical Air Evacuation Squadron

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February 1944 the 823rd MAES was formed with the arrival of 24 Lieutenants of the ANC for assignment to the eight-week course the care and method of evacuation of wounded from battle areas Air Force School of Air Evacuation, Bowman Field, Louisville, Kentucky. Upon Graduation and receiving the gold wings, the newly designated night nurses of the 823rd MAES were released from assignment to the First Troop Carrier Command and assigned to the ATC, New Castle Army Air Force Base, Wilmington, Delaware and the Memphis Air Port, Memphis, Tenn. The 823rd as a squadron ceased to exist; the flight nurses and assigned technicians were actively performing evacuation functions transporting WW II casualties from European and Pacific Theaters to hospitals throughout the Continental United States from May to November

December 1944, at which time they were assigned to the 830th MAES, 1500 AAF Base Unit, AAF Air Transport Command, Hickam Air Base, Hawaii. As members of the 830th they participated in the evacuation of wounded from battle zones on remote Pacific islands to hospitals far behind the combat lines and to the United States flying over thousands of miles of Pacific Ocean. These islands included Hawaii, Guam, Saipan, New Caledonia, New Zealand, Australia, Solomon Islands, Shouten Islands (New Guinea), Iwo Jima, Japan, northern Marianas, Micronesia, Philippine Islands, Okinawa, Korea, Malaysia, China, and others of forgotten names.

Battles and Campaigns participated in: Central Pacific, Philippine Islands, Luzon-Ryukyu, and Philippine Liberation.

Citations: Meritorious Service Unit Plaques; Air Medals, Army Occupation Medals; American Campaign Medal, Asiatic Pacific Campaign Medal(4 battle stars);Philippine Liberation Medal(1 battle star);WW II Victory Medal.

Air Force Lineage and Honors

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