

## 43<sup>rd</sup> TROOP CARRIER SQUADRON, MEDIUM



### MISSION

### LINEAGE

43<sup>rd</sup> Transport Squadron constituted, 30 May 1942  
Activated, 15 Jun 1942  
Redesignated 43<sup>rd</sup> Troop Carrier Squadron, 4 Jul 1942  
Inactivated, 31 Jul 1945  
Activated, 19 May 1947  
Inactivated, 10 Sep 1948  
Redesignated 43<sup>rd</sup> Troop Carrier Squadron (Medium), 23 May 1952  
Activated, 10 Jun 1952  
Inactivated, 18 Jan 1955

### STATIONS

Olmsted Field, PA, 15 Jun 1942  
Bowman Field, KY, 17 Jun 1942  
Florence, SC, 3 Aug-11 Oct 1942  
Aldermaston, England, 1 Dec 1942 (operated from Blida, Algeria, 30 May 1943-7 Mar 1944)  
Welford, England, 6 Nov 1943  
Spanhoe, England, 7 Feb 1944  
Amiens, France, 6 Apr-May 1945  
Waller Field, Trinidad, May-31 Jul 1945  
Langley Field, VA, 19 May 1947-10 Sep 1948  
Brady AB, Japan, 10 Jun 1952-18 Jan 1955

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

315<sup>th</sup> Transport (later Troop Carrier) Group, 15 Jun 1942-31 Jul 1945

315<sup>th</sup> Troop Carrier Group, 19 May 1947-10 Sep 1948

315<sup>th</sup> Troop Carrier Group, 10 Jun-18 Jan 1955

## **WEAPON SYSTEMS**

C-47, 1942-1945

C-46, 1952-1955

## **COMMANDERS**

### **HONORS**

#### **Service Streamers**

American Theater

#### **Campaign Streamers**

World War II

Sicily

Naples-Foggia

Rome-Arno

Normandy

Northern France

Rhineland

Central Europe

Korean War

Korea Summer Fall, 1952

Third Korean Winter

Korea Summer-Fall, 1953

#### **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

#### **Decorations**

Distinguished Unit Citation

France, [6] Jun 1944

Republic of Korea Presidential Unit Citation

[10 Jun 1952]-27 Jul 1953

## **EMBLEM**



43<sup>rd</sup> Troop Carrier Squadron emblem

43<sup>rd</sup> Troop Carrier Squadron, Medium emblem: on a blue disc with white border an infantryman with helmet, parachute pack, and holding a rifle in his extended right hand, all tan except white parachute harness, riding a grey running elephant with green goggles and red cross on his hind quarter, in front a white cloud in base with an open tan parachute dropping a red crate in the distance in back of the elephant. (Approved, 3 Dec 1953)

### **MOTTO**

### **NICKNAME**

### **OPERATIONS**

Included airborne assaults on Normandy, Holland, and Germany, as well as aerial transportation in ETO and MTO, during World War II.

Not manned, 1947-1948.

Aerial transportation between Japan and Korea during Korean War.

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Air Force Order of Battle

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