# **51st TROOP CARRIER SQUADRON**



# **MISSION**

# LINEAGE

51<sup>st</sup> Transport Squadron constituted, 30 May 1942 Activated, 1 Jun 1942 Redesignated 51<sup>st</sup> Troop Carrier Squadron, 4 Jul 1942 Inactivated, 9 Mar 1946

# **STATIONS**

Kellogg Field, MI, 1 Jun 1942 Florence, SC, 1 Jul-14 Aug 1942 Keevil, England, 10 Oct 1942 Tafaraoui, Algeria, 15 Nov 1942 Nouvion, Algeria, 24 Dec 1942 Matemore, Algeria, 16 May 1943 Goubrine, Tunisia, 2 Jul 1943 Ponte Olivo, Sicily, 6 Sep 1943 Brindisi, Italy, 12 Feb, 1944 Ponte Olivo, Sicily, 27 Mar 1944 Gaudo Airfield, Italy, 7 May 1944 Galera Airfield, Italy, 29 Jun 1944 Foggia, Italy, 30 Sep 1944 Brindisi, Italy, 29 Oct 1944 Tarquinia, Italy, 1 Apr 1945 Rosignano, Italy, 25 May 1945 Capodichino, Italy, 6 Oct 1945

Naples, Italy, c. Feb-9 Mar 1946

#### **ASSIGNMENTS**

62<sup>nd</sup> Transport (later Troop Carrier) Group, 1 Jun 1942 Naples Air Force General Depot, 14 Nov 1945-9 Mar 1946

### **WEAPON SYSTEMS**

C-47, 1942-1946 C-47A C-47B

#### **COMMANDERS**

HONORS
Service Streamers

**Campaign Streamers** 

**Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers** 

#### **Decorations**

# **EMBLEM**

On a light yellow rectangle, corners rounded, long axis horizontal, a caricatured pilot in brown flight suit, red aviator's helmet and white goggles, with look of satisfaction on face, strutting across a large white cloud formation in base outlined light turquoise blue, and pushing a green and gray camouflaged perambulator, holding three small caricatured paratroopers in uniform, proper, all emitting white speed lines to rear. (Approved, 20 Apr 1944)

#### **MOTTO**

## **NICKNAME**

## **OPERATIONS**

Included airborne assaults on Sicily and Southern France, support of partisans in Northern Italy and the Balkans, and transportation of personnel and supplies in MTO, during World War II.

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Sources

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