

# 78<sup>th</sup> BASIC FLYING TRAINING SQUADRON

## MISSION

## LINEAGE

78<sup>th</sup> School Squadron activated, 1 Sep 1940

Redesignated 78<sup>th</sup> School Squadron (Special), 2 Jan 1942

78<sup>th</sup> Basic Flying Training Squadron, 22 Oct 1942

Disbanded, 25 Apr 1944

## STATIONS

Moffett Field, CA

Chico AAF, CA

## ASSIGNMENTS

97<sup>th</sup> Basic Flying Training Group

## WEAPON SYSTEMS

BT-13A

## COMMANDERS

Cpt Sam W. Cheyney, #1941

Cpt C. E. Dowling

Cpt William P. French, Feb 1942

Maj Raymond M. Hay

Maj Joseph W. Freeman, 14 Dec 1942

## HONORS

**Service Streamers**

**Campaign Streamers**

## **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

### **Decorations**

### **EMBLEM**

### **MOTTO**

### **NICKNAME**

### **OPERATIONS**

On 16 Apr, 129 enlisted men were moved to the new field at Chico, while 101 men were left at Moffett on detached service to maintain the planes being used by the 42-F and 42-G cadet classes.

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Air Force Order of Battle

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#### Sources

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Unit yearbook. *West Coast Air Corps Training Center, Air Corps Basic Flying School, Flying Cadets, US Army, Moffett Field, CA. 1941.*

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