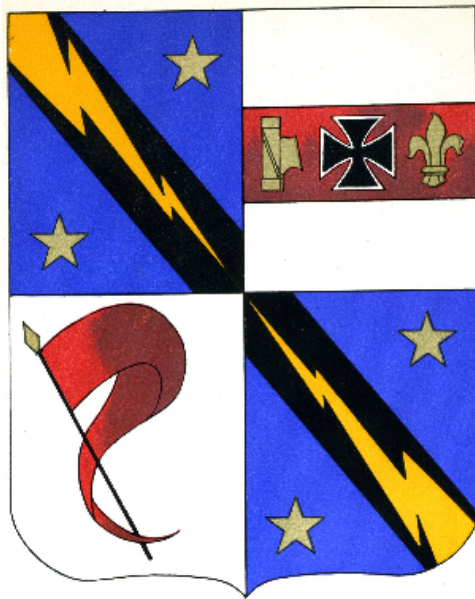


454th TROOP CARRIER GROUP, MEDIUM



MISSION

LINEAGE

454th Bombardment Group (Heavy) constituted, 14 May 1943
Activated, 1 Jun 1943
Redesignated 454th Bombardment Group, Very Heavy, Aug 1945
Inactivated, 17 Oct 1945
Allotted to the reserve
Activated, 27 Apr 1947
Redesignated 454th Bombardment Group, Medium, Jun 1949
Ordered into active service, 1 May 1951
Assigned to Strategic Air Command
Inactivated, 16 Jun 1951
Redesignated 454th Troop Carrier Group, Medium
Allotted to the reserve
Activated, 13 Jun 1952
Inactivated, 1 Jan 1953

STATIONS

Alamogordo AAFld, NM, 1 Jun 1943
Davis-Monthan Field, AZ, 1 Jul 1943
McCook AAFld, NE, 31 Jul 1943
Charleston AAFld, SC, 3 Oct-Dec 1943
San Giovanni, Italy, Jan 1944-Jul 1945
Sioux Falls AAFld, SD, 1 Aug 1945
Pyote AAFld, TX, 17 Aug-17 Oct 1945
McChord Field, WA, 27 Apr 1947

Spokane AFB, WA, 27 Jun 1949-16 Jun 1951
Portland Intl Aprt, OR, 13 Jun 1952-1 Jan 1953

ASSIGNMENTS

Fifteenth Air Force

WEAPON SYSTEMS

B-24

COMMANDERS

Col Horace D Aynesworth, Jun 1943
Col John A Way, 22 Mar 1945
LTC William R Large Jr., 21 May 1945
LTC Edward R Casey, 24 May 1945-unkn
Unkn, 1 May-16 Jun 1951

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Air Combat, EAME Theater
Air Offensive, Europe
Rome-Arno
Normandy
Northern France
Southern France
North Apennines
Rhineland
Central Europe
Po Valley

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

Distinguished Unit Citations
Bad Voslau, Austria, 12 Apr 1944
Linz, Austria, 25 Jul 1944

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OPERATIONS

Flew some interdiction and support missions, bombing bridges, marshalling yards, troop concentrations, and rail lines. Participated in the drive to Rome, the invasion of Southern France, and the defeat of Axis forces in northern Italy. Engaged primarily, however, in long-range strikes against enemy oil refineries, aircraft and munitions factories, industrial areas, harbors, and airfields in Italy, France, Germany, Czechoslovakia, Hungary, Austria, Yugoslavia, Rumania, and Greece. Received a DUG for a raid on an airdrome at Bad Voslau on 12 Apr 1944. Received second DUG for performance on 25 Jul 1944 when, despite severe opposition, the group led the wing formation in an attack against steel plants at Linz.

Air Force Order of Battle

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