

464th BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON, VERY HEAVY



MISSION

LINEAGE

464th Bombardment Squadron (Heavy) constituted, 1 Jul 1942
Activated, 6 Jul 1942
Inactivated, 1 Apr 1944
Redesignated 464th Bombardment Squadron, Very Heavy, 4 Aug 1944
Activated, 19 Sep 1944
Inactivated, 4 Jan 1946

STATIONS

Salt Lake City AAB, UT, 6 Jul 1942
Casper AAFld, WY, 15 Sep 1942-1 Apr 1944
Dalhart AAFld, TX, 19 Sep 1944
Smoky Hill AAFld, KS, 11 Dec 1944-1 Aug 1945
Guam, 8 Sep 1945 (ground echelon only; air echelon remained in US)
Tinian, Oct-15 Dec 1945
Camp Anza, CA, 28 Dec 1945-4 Jan 1946

ASSIGNMENTS

331st Bombardment Group, 6 Jul 1942-1 Apr 1944
382nd Bombardment Group, 19 Sep 1944-4 Jan 1946

WEAPON SYSTEMS

B-17, 1942-1943
B-24, 1943-1944
B-17F

B-24E
B-29, 1945-1946

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

American Theater
Asiatic-Pacific Theater

Campaign Streamers

None

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

None

EMBLEM

On a light blue disc, a gremlin attired in brown aviator's uniform, riding a red aerial bomb toward base between two white cloud formations, emitting speed lines proper. (Approved, 29 Mar 1943)

MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

Replacement training, Nov 1942-Mar 1944

30 May 1943 A B-17F, 42-5318, of the 464th Bombardment Squadron, 331st Bombardment Group, out of Casper Army Air Field, Wyoming, piloted by James O. Westbury, crashes into a mountainside NE of Covelo, California while on a training flight to Eugene, Oregon, killing all six people on board.

Air Force Order of Battle

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Sources

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