

## 751 BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (HEAVY)



### MISSION

### LINEAGE

751 Bombardment Squadron (Heavy) constituted, 19 May 1943

Activated, 1 Jul 1943

Inactivated, 28 Aug 1945

### STATIONS

Geiger Field, WA, 1 Jul 1943

Rapid City AAB, SD, 9 Jul 1943

Ephrata AAB, WA, 28 Oct 1943

Wendover Field, UT, 6 Dec 1943-1 Jan 1944

Glatton, England, 28 Jan 1944-Jun 1945

Sioux Falls AAFld, SD, Jul-28 Aug 1945

### ASSIGNMENTS

457 Bombardment Group, 1 Jul 1943-28 Aug 1945

### WEAPON SYSTEMS

B-17, 1943-1945

### COMMANDERS

### HONORS

#### Service Streamers

None

**Campaign Streamers**

Air Offensive, Europe

Normandy

Northern France

Rhineland

Ardennes-Alsace

Central Europe

**Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers****Decorations**

None

**EMBLEM**

Over and through a light pastel blue disc, flecked with white clouds, border green, a white mountain goat, outlined black, leaping in medium blue arc from sinister base through center of green cross hairs toward dexter, and leaving large, jagged, red and white impact mark emanating from horns, all in front of a large, yellow aerial bomb following trajectory of mountain goat's leap. (Approved, 19 Jan 1945)

**MOTTO****NICKNAME****OPERATIONS**

Combat in ETO, 21 Feb 1944-21 Apr 1945.

Oct 1st, 1943 - Lt Col. Fred A. Spencer was appointed the first commanding officer of the 751st Squadron. Spencer served as commander of the 751st until he was replaced by Major Raymond Syptak on Aug 14th, 1944.

Aug 14th, 1944 - Major Raymond Syptak assumed command of the 751st Squadron. Major Syptak was quite famous in the 457th Bomb Group as being one of the two flyers in the 457th to have earned the Silver Star for gallantry in action while on a mission to Le Bourget Airfields in France on Jun 14th, 1944. In addition to the 751st Squadron, Major Syptak would later serve as commander of the 749th Squadron.

Oct 2nd, 1944- Lt Col Fred A. Spencer assumed command of the squadron for the second time and remained as commander until the squadron was assigned to Lt Col Eugene Peresich, Jr.

Jan 2nd, 1945 - Lt Col Eugene Peresich, Jr. took command from Fred Spencer and remained commander of the 751st till the Group returned to the USA.

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