

383rd BOMBARDMENT GROUP, VERY HEAVY

MISSION

LINEAGE

383rd Bombardment Group (Heavy) constituted, 28 Oct 1942

Activated, 3 Nov 1942

Inactivated, 1 Apr 1944

Redesignated 383rd Bombardment Group, Very Heavy and activated, 28 Aug 1944

Inactivated, 3 Jan 1946

STATIONS

Salt Lake City AAB, UT, 3 Nov 1942

Rapid City AAB, SD, 12 Nov 1942

Geiger Field, WA, 20 Jun 1943

Peterson Field, CO, 26 Oct 1943-1 Apr 1944

Dalhart AAFld, TX, 28 Aug 1944

Walker AAFld, KS, 14 Jan-11 Aug 1945

Tinian, 12 Sep-19 Dec 1945

Camp Anza, CA, 2-3 Jan 1946

ASSIGNMENTS

Second Air Force

Eighth Air Force

WEAPON SYSTEMS

B-17

B-24

B-29

COMMANDERS

Maj Elliot Vandevanter Jr., 27 Nov 1942-unkn

LTC John P Proctor, 1944

Col Richard M. Montgomery, 8 Dec 1944-unkn

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

American Theater

Asiatic-Pacific Theater

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

Served first as an operational training and later as a replacement training unit. Prepared for combat with B-29's. Moved to the Pacific theater, Aug-Sep 1945, and assigned to Eighth AF. The war ended before the group could enter combat.

Air Force Order of Battle

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Sources

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