

420th AIR FORCE BASE UNIT

MISSION

Combat Crew Training Station-Heavy

LINEAGE

420th Army Air Forces Base Unit

Redesignated 420th Air Force Base Unit

STATIONS

March AAF, Riverside, CA

Marietta, GA, 1946

ASSIGNMENTS

WEAPON SYSTEMS

B-24D

B-24H

B-24J

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

MOTTO**NICKNAME****OPERATIONS**

9 April 1944 B-24D 42-41128, of the 420th AAF Base Unit, March AAF, CA, piloted by Frank A. Gurley, crashes in weather-related accident 3 miles SW of Marine Corps Auxiliary Air Station Mojave, Mojave, California, while on a routine training mission to simulate a long range bombing mission. All ten crew members are killed.

Air Force Order of Battle

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Sources

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