

504th BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON (HEAVY)

MISSION

LINEAGE

Constituted 504th Bombardment Squadron (Heavy), 3 Sep 1942

Activated, 7 Sep 1942

Inactivated, 1 Apr 1944

STATIONS

Salt Lake City AAB, UT, 7 Sep 1942

Smoky Hill AB, KS, 3 Oct 1942

Dyersburg AAFld, TN, 26 Feb 1943-1 Apr 1944

ASSIGNMENTS

346th Bombardment Group, 7 Sep 1942-1 Apr 1944

WEAPON SYSTEMS

B-17, 1942

B-24, 1942-1943

COMMANDERS

B-24D

B-17F

HONORS

Service Streamers

American Theater

Campaign Streamers

None

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

None

EMBLEM

Over and through a white disc, two light turquoise blue aerial bombs in saltire, surmounted by the head of a hippopotamus with mouth open, proper. (Approved, 22 Nov 1943)

MOTTO

NICKNAME

OPERATIONS

Replacement training, Nov 1942-Oct 1943.

6 January 1943 B-24D 41-24202, of the 504th Bomb Squadron, 346th Bomb Group, out of Salina Army Airfield, Kansas, suffers fire in flight, crashes 15 miles SW of Madill, Oklahoma, destroyed by fire. Pilot was R. G. Bishop.