# 544th BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON, VERY HEAVY



#### **MISSION**

#### LINEAGE

544<sup>th</sup> Bombardment Squadron (Heavy) constituted, 25 Nov 1942 Activated, 1 Dec 1942 Inactivated, 28 Feb 1946 Redesignated 544<sup>th</sup> Bombardment Squadron, Very Heavy, 9 Jul 1947 Activated in the reserve, 16 Jul 1947 Inactivated, 27 Jun 1949 Redesignated 544<sup>th</sup> Bombardment Squadron, Medium, 3 Jun 1955 Activated, 1 Aug 1955

#### **STATIONS**

Gowen Field, ID, 1 Dec 1942 Wendover Field, UT, 2 Jan 1943 Sioux City AAB, IA, 3 Apr-9 May 1943 Grafton Underwood, England, 4 Jun 1943 Istres, France, 22 Jun 1945-28 Feb 1946 Nashville Mun Aprt, TN, 16 Jul 1947-27 Jun 1949 Little Rock AFB, AR, 1 Aug 1955

## **ASSIGNMENTS**

384<sup>th</sup> Bombardment Group, 1 Dec 1942-28 Feb 1946 384<sup>th</sup> Bombardment Group, 16 Jul 1947-27 Jun 1949 384<sup>th</sup> Bombardment Wing, 1 Aug 1955

#### **WEAPON SYSTEMS**

B-17, 1942-1946

B-17F B-17G B-47, 1956

### **COMMANDERS**

**HONORS Service Streamers**None

# **Campaign Streamers**

Air Offensive, Europe Normandy Northern France Rhineland Ardennes-Alsace Central Europe Air Combat, EAME Theater

# **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

### **Decorations**

Distinguished Unit Citation Germany, 24 Apr 1944

Air Force Outstanding Unit Award 14 Feb-30 Dec 1957

## **EMBLEM**



# **MOTTO NICKNAME OPERATIONS** Combat in ETO, 22 Jun 1943-25 Apr 1945. Transported redeployed personnel from ETO to North Africa, Jun-Sep 1945.