

454th FLYING TRAINING SQUADRON



MISSION

LINEAGE¹

454th Bombardment Squadron (Medium) constituted, 19 Jun 1942

Activated, 4 Aug 1942

Inactivated, 12 Dec 1945

Redesignated 454th Bombardment Squadron, Light, 10 May 1949

Activated in the reserve, 27 Jun 1949

Ordered to active service, 10 Mar 1951

Inactivated, 17 Mar 1951

Redesignated 454th Fighter-Bomber Squadron, 9 May 1955

Activated, 8 Aug 1955

Inactivated, 1 Sep 1957

454th Flying Training Squadron

STATIONS

Columbia AAB, South Carolina, 4 Aug 1942

MacDill Field, Florida, 21 Aug 1942

Myrtle Beach Bombing Range, South Carolina, 2 Nov 1942-25 Apr 1943

Horham, England, 12 May 1943

Earls Colne, England, 14 Jun 1943

Beaulieu, England, 21 Jul 1944

¹ Air Force Historical Research Agency. U.S. Air Force. Maxwell AFB, Alabama.

Lessay, France, 26 Aug 1944
Chartres, France, 21 Sep 1944
Laon/Athies, France, 13 Oct 1944
Valenciennes, France, 9 Feb 1945
Innsbruck, Austria, 15 May 1945
Nesselwang, Germany, 9 Jul 1945
Schongau, Germany, Jul 1945
Clastres, France, Oct-Dec 1945
Camp Myles Standish, Massachusetts, 11-12 Dec 1945
Tinker AFB, Oklahoma, 27 Jun 1949-17 Mar 1951
Bunker Hill AFB, Indiana, 8 Aug 1955-1 Sep 1957
Mather AFB, California, 1 Apr 1973

ASSIGNMENTS

323^d Bombardment Group, 4 Aug 1942-12 Dec 1945
323^d Bombardment Group, 27 Jun 1949-17 Mar 1951
323^d Fighter-Bomber Group, 8 Aug 1955-1 Sep 1957

WEAPON SYSTEMS

B-26, 1942-1945
F-86, 1956
F-100, 1956-1957

COMMANDERS

Maj William N. Dillard, #1957²

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

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

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

² Unit yearbook. *Bunker Hill AFB, IN, 323 Fighter-Bomber Wing, 1957*. Army and Navy Publishing Co. Inc., Baton Rouge, Louisiana. 1957.

Distinguished Unit Citation
Belgium and Germany, 24-27 Dec 1944

EMBLEM



454th Bombardment Squadron, Medium



On a medium sky blue shield a caricatured tiger in natural colors, body bright orange, stomach and face golden yellow, nose red, facial outlines and stripes black; wearing black vest with red buttons, red bow tie and white spats; in his right paw a brown cigar with red tip and white smoke rising from it and in his left paw a yellow bamboo cane. (Approved, 6 Dec 1956)

MOTTO

SET TO GO

OPERATIONS³

Combat in ETO, 16 Jul 1943-25 Apr 1945. Disarmament of German Air Force, May-Sep 1945.

³ Bunker Hill AFB, IN, 323 Fighter-Bomber Wing, 1957.



