

## 812 FIGHTER-BOMBER SQUADRON



### MISSION

#### LINEAGE

812 Bombardment Squadron (Pathfinder) constituted, 10 Aug 1943  
Activated, 20 Aug 1943  
Redesignated 812 Bombardment Squadron, Heavy, 11 Nov 1944  
Inactivated, 1 Sep 1945  
Redesignated 812 Bombardment Squadron, Very Heavy, 13 Aug 1947  
Activated in the reserve, 9 Sep 1947  
Inactivated, 27 Jun 1949  
Redesignated 812 Troop Carrier Squadron, Medium, 26 May 1952  
Activated in the reserve, 14 Jun 1952  
Inactivated, 1 Dec 1952  
Redesignated 812 Fighter-Bomber Squadron, 12 Apr 1955  
Activated in the reserve, 18 May 1955  
Inactivated, 16 Nov 1957

#### STATIONS

Alconbury, England, 20 Aug 1943-Jun 1945  
Victorville AAFld, CA, Jul-1 Sep 1945  
New Orleans Mun Aprt, LA, 9 Sep 1947-27 Jun 1949  
Miami Intl Aprt, FL, 14 Jun-1 Dec 1952  
Dobbins AFB, GA, 18 May 1955- 16 Nov 1957

#### ASSIGNMENTS

482 Bombardment Group, 20 Aug 1943-1 Sep 1945  
482 Bombardment Group, g Sep 1947-27 Jun 1949  
482 Troop Carrier Group, 14 Jun-1 Dec 1952  
482 Fighter-Bomber Group, 18 May 1955-16 Nov 1957

## **WEAPON SYSTEMS**

B-17, 1943-1945

## **COMMANDERS**

## **HONORS**

### **Service Streamers**

None

### **Campaign Streamers**

Offensive, Europe

Air Normandy

Northern France

Rhineland

Central Europe

### **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

### **Decorations**

Distinguished Unit Citation

Germany, 11 Jan 1944

## **EMBLEM**

On a dark blue violet disc, a light green gremlin-type figure, wearing aviator's helmet and goggles, edged black, highlighted yellow, grasping with the right hand the tail fin of a large tan aerial bomb, edged black, highlighted yellow, and having feet entwined about the middle of bomb, while holding a lantern in the right hand, proper, with glow of yellow, orange, and dark red concentric circles. (Approved 17, Oct 1944)

## **MOTTO**

## **NICKNAME**

## **OPERATIONS**

Combat in ETO as pathfinder force, 27 Sep 1943-29 Apr 1945

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### Sources

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