

# 855th BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON, HEAVY

## MISSION

### LINEAGE<sup>1</sup>

522d Bombardment Squadron (Heavy) constituted, 13 Oct 1942  
Activated, 18 Oct 1942  
Redesignated 17th Antisubmarine Squadron (Heavy), 29 Nov 1942  
Redesignated 17th Antisubmarine Squadron (Medium), 3 Mar 1943  
Redesignated 17th Antisubmarine Squadron (Heavy), 20 Apr 1943  
Redesignated 855th Bombardment Squadron (Heavy), 24 Sep 1943  
Inactivated, 8 Sep 1945

### STATIONS

Lantana, Florida, 18 Oct 1942  
Boca Chica, Florida, 9 Jan 1943  
Miami, Florida, 3 Jul 1943  
Alamogordo AAFld, New Mexico, 24 Sep 1943  
El Paso, Texas, 11 Nov 1943-1 Jan 1944  
England, 1 Jan 1944  
North Pickenham, England, Mar 1944  
Metfield, England, Apr 1944  
North Pickenham, England, 15 Aug 1944-5 Jul 1945  
McChord Field, Washington, 17 Jul-8 Sep 1945

### ASSIGNMENTS

AAF Antisubmarine Command, 18 Oct 1942  
378th Bombardment Group, 20 Nov 1942  
26th Antisubmarine Wing, 14 Dec 1942  
491st Bombardment Group, 1 Oct 1943-8 Sep 1945

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<sup>1</sup> Air Force Historical Research Agency. U.S. Air Force. Maxwell AFB, Alabama.

## **WEAPON SYSTEMS**

B-34

B-18

B-25

B-24

## **COMMANDERS**

Lt Col Escar Watts, Jr.

## **HONORS**

### **Service Streamers**

### **Campaign Streamers**

Antisubmarine, American Theater

Air Offensive, Europe

Normandy

Northern France

Rhineland

Ardennes-Alsace

Central Europe

Air Combat, EAME Theater

### **Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

### **Decorations**

Distinguished Unit Citation

Misburg, Germany, 26 Nov 1944

## **EMBLEM**

## **MOTTO**

## **OPERATIONS**

Antisubmarine prior to 15 Aug 1943. Combat in ETO, 2 Jun 1944-25 Apr 1945