

51 BOMBARDMENT SQUADRON, LIGHT



MISSION

LINEAGE

51 Bombardment Squadron (Light) constituted, 20 Nov 1940
Activated, 15 Jan 1941
Disbanded, 1 May 1944
Reconstituted, 26 May 1947
Activated in the reserve, 9 Jul 1947
Inactivated, 2 Sep 1949
Activated in the reserve, 10 Oct 1949
Ordered to active service, 10 Mar 1951
Inactivated, 22 Mar 1951

STATIONS

Savannah, GA, 15 Jan 1941
Bowman Field, KY, 17 May 1941
Manchester, NH, 12 Dec 1941
Bowman Field, KY, 13 Jan 1942
Barksdale Field, LA, 2 Feb 1942
Galveston Mun Aprt, TX, 31 Mar 1942
Blythe AAB, CA, 17 May 1942
Will Rogers Field, OK, 12 Nov 1942
Drew Field, FL, 8 Oct 1943
Morris Field, NC, 6 Nov 1943-1 May 1944

Mitchel Field, NY, 9 Jul 1947
Reading Mun Aprt, PA, 27 Jun-2 Sep 1949
Birmingham Mun Aprt, AL, 10 Oct 1949-22 Mar 1951

ASSIGNMENTS

46 Bombardment Group, 15 Jan 1941-1 May 1944
319 Bombardment Group, 9 Jul 1947-2 Sep 1949
319 Bombardment Group, 10 Oct 1949-22 Mar 1951

WEAPON SYSTEMS

A-20, 1941-1944
B-25, 1944

COMMANDERS

HONORS

Service Streamers

Campaign Streamers

Antisubmarine, American Theater

Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers

Decorations

EMBLEM

In front of a blue disc, a bare-fisted prize fighter in fighting stance, of the Gay Nineties period, white, outlined black, wearing red tight trunks banded in the middle with a belt of black, charged with five stars of white. (Approved 31, May 1943)

MOTTO

OPERATIONS

Antisubmarine patrols, Apr-May 1942. Operational training unit, Jan-Oct 1943; replacement training unit, Oct 1943-Apr 1944.

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