

## 51 TROOP CARRIER SQUADRON



### MISSION

### LINEAGE

51 Transport Squadron constituted, 30 May 1942

Activated, 1 Jun 1942

Redesignated 51 Troop Carrier Squadron, 4 Jul 1942

Inactivated, 9 Mar 1946

### STATIONS

Kellogg Field, MI, 1 Jun 1942

Florence, SC, 1 Jul-14 Aug 1942

Keevil, England, 10 Oct 1942

Tafaraoui, Algeria, 15 Nov 1942

Nouvion, Algeria, 24 Dec 1942

Matemore, Algeria, 16 May 1943

Goubrine, Tunisia, 2 Jul 1943

Ponte Olivo, Sicily, 6 Sep 1943

Brindisi, Italy, 12 Feb, 1944

Ponte Olivo, Sicily, 27 Mar 1944

Gaudo Airfield, Italy, 7 May 1944

Galera Airfield, Italy, 29 Jun 1944

Foggia, Italy, 30 Sep 1944

Brindisi, Italy, 29 Oct 1944

Tarquinia, Italy, 1 Apr 1945

Rosignano, Italy, 25 May 1945

Capodichino, Italy, 6 Oct 1945

Naples, Italy, c. Feb-9 Mar 1946

### **ASSIGNMENTS**

62 Transport (later Troop Carrier) Group, 1 Jun 1942

Naples Air Force General Depot, 14 Nov 1945-9 Mar 1946

### **WEAPON SYSTEMS**

C-47, 1942-1946

### **COMMANDERS**

### **HONORS**

**Service Streamers**

**Campaign Streamers**

**Armed Forces Expeditionary Streamers**

### **Decorations**

### **EMBLEM**

On a light yellow rectangle, corners rounded, long axis horizontal, a caricatured pilot in brown flight suit, red aviator's helmet and white goggles, with look of satisfaction on face, strutting across a large white cloud formation in base outlined light turquoise blue, and pushing a green and gray camouflaged perambulator, holding three small caricatured paratroopers in uniform, proper, all emitting white speed lines to rear. (Approved, 20 Apr 1944)

### **MOTTO**

### **OPERATIONS**

Included airborne assaults on Sicily and Southern France, support of partisans in Northern Italy and the Balkans, and transportation of personnel and supplies in MTO, during World War II.

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