

DATA SHEET
380TH BOMB GROUP AIRCRAFT

No. 050

SERIAL NO.:	<u>42-41133</u>	MOST POPULAR NOSE ART NAME:	<u>GYPSY</u>
MODEL:	<u>B-24D-135-CO</u>	MFR:	<u>Consolidated-San Diego</u>
		CONTRACTOR'S NO.:	<u>2210</u>
INITIAL MFG DATE:	<u>06/23/1943</u>	MFG COMPLETION DATE:	<u>07/01/1943</u>
FIRST FLIGHT DATE:	<u></u>	MOD CENTER DATE:	<u>07/07/1943</u>
		MOD CENTER PLACE:	<u>Tucson/Tinker</u>
USAAF ACCEPTANCE DATE:	<u>07/05/1943</u>		
TO STAGING AREA DATE:	<u>07/24/1943</u>	STAGING PLACE:	<u>Lincoln, NE</u>
OVERSEAS FLIGHT DATE:	<u>09/27/1943</u>	DEPARTURE PLACE:	<u>Fairfield, CA</u>
OVERSEAS ARRIVAL DATE:	<u>10/02/1943</u>	DESTINATION:	<u>Townsville</u>
MOD COMPLETED OVERSEAS:	<u></u>	OVERSEAS MOD PLACE:	<u></u>
ASSIGNMENT:	<u>380/529/528</u>	ASSIGNMENT DATE:	<u>11/13/1943</u> <u>To 528, 01/19/1944</u>
STATION:	<u>Long Strip</u>		
FIRST MISSION:	<u>11/17/1943</u>	WHERE (1 ST MISSION):	<u>Tjepoe, Java</u>
NO. OF MISSIONS:	<u>26 AU/NG</u>	TERMINATION DATE:	<u>03/05/1944</u>
WHY TERMINATED:	<u>Take-off Crash</u>		
WHERE TERMINATED:	<u>Nadzab, New Guinea</u>		
STRICKEN OFF CHARGE:	<u>03/05/1944</u>	WHERE REMOVED:	<u>AFMSC</u>

NOTES: Oklahoma nose installed; no entry in CAC records regarding first flight date

MAINTENANCE CREW

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	SSN	Rank	Name
Crew Chief(s):	14027337	M/Sgt	Millard O. McMillan

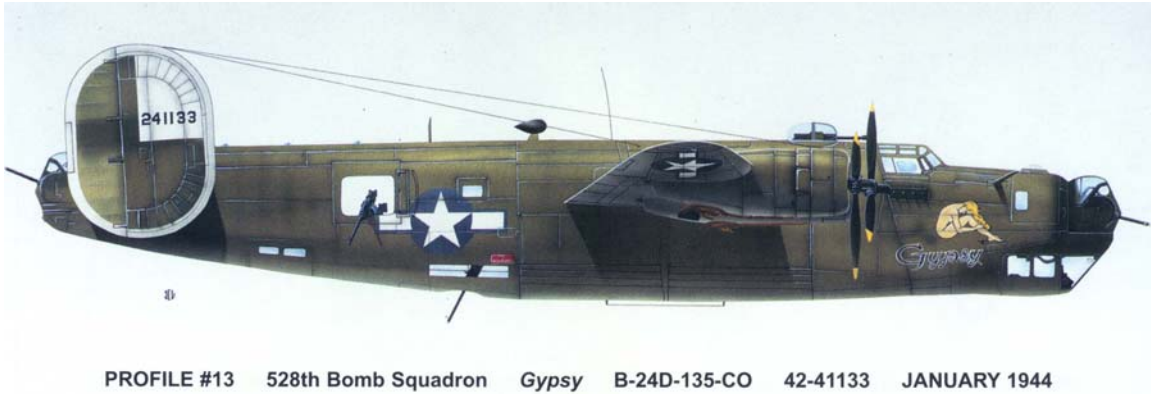
	SSN	Rank	Name
Mechanic(s):			Not Available in Current Records

Notes:

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PROFILE #13 528th Bomb Squadron Gypsy B-24D-135-CO 42-41133 JANUARY 1944

Source: Horton, Best in the Southwest.

Right Side



Col. William A. Miller and the only plane he personally named. Gypsy was a name Miller thought best characterized his organization.

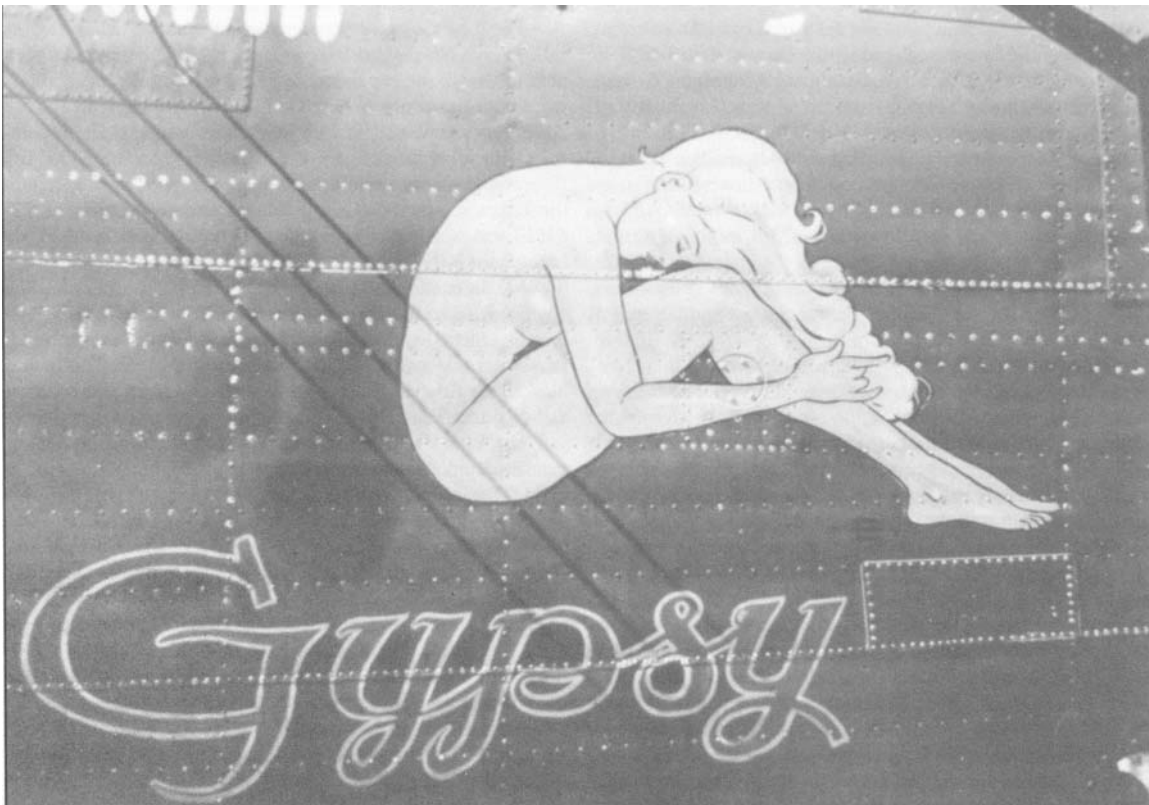
Lee Brissey Collection

Source: Horton, Best in the Southwest, p. 134.



Col. William A. Miller, kneeling in center of front row.

Source: The Flying Circus, p. 121.



Source: Livingstone, Under the Southern Cross, p. 78; Horton/Horton, King of the Heavies, p. 56.

MISSION RECORD

SN 42-41133 **NOSE ART** GYPSY **MODEL** D-135-CO
SQDN ASSGD 529 **MFR** Consolidated-San Diego **M#** 133

LOCATION: Australia

NOTES: Missions 5-12: New Guinea Deployment III

NO.	DATE (M/D/Y)	MISSION #	MISSION TYPE	TARGET	CREW #	ACFT CMDR	SQDN	RESULTS/NOTES
1	11/17/1943	FEN III-24	Strike	Tjepoe, Java	15	F. Miller	529	
2	11/24/1943	FEN III-30	Strike	Kaoe Bay, Halmahera	26	Ondes	529	First Mission for this Crew
3	11/29/1943	FEN III-32	Recce	Manokwari, Sorong	26	Ondes	529	
4	12/03/1943	FEN III-33	Strike	Koepang	26	Ondes	529	
5	12/13/1943	346DD	Strike	Cape Hoskins Airdrome	15	W. Miller	GP	GP Staff plus Thompson Crew
6	12/14/1943	347GG	Strike	Arawe Plantation	15	W. Miller	GP	GP Staff plus Thompson Crew
7	12/14/1943	347II	Strike	Arawe	15	W. Miller	GP	GP Staff plus Thompson Crew
8	12/18/1943	351DD	Strike	Cape Hoskins Airdrome	15	W. Miller	GP	GP Staff plus Thompson Crew
9	12/19/1943	352GG	Strike	Gloucester Strip #2	15	W. Miller	GP	GP Staff plus Thompson Crew
10	12/20/1943	353GG	Strike	Gloucester Target #3	15	W. Miller	GP	GP Staff plus Thompson Crew
11	12/21/1943	354FF	Strike	Gloucester	15	W. Miller	GP	GP Staff plus Thompson Crew
12	12/22/1943	355JJ	Strike	Gloucester	20	White	529	

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NOTES: Missions 13-16: New Guinea Deployment III

NO.	DATE (M/D/Y)	MISSION #	MISSION TYPE	TARGET	CREW #	ACFT CMDR	SQDN	RESULTS/NOTES
13	12/23/1943	356FF	Strike	Gloucester	56	Bruce	531	
14	12/25/1943	358FF	Strike	Cape Gloucester	15	W. Miller	GP	GP Staff plus Thompson Crew
15	12/26/1943	359HH	Strike	Cape Gloucester	15	W. Miller	GP	GP Staff plus Thompson Crew
16	12/26/1943	359MM	Strike	Cape Gloucester	15	W. Miller	GP	GP Staff plus Thompson Crew
17	01/12/1944	FEN IV-3	Strike	Balikpapan	12	W. Miller	529	Kershner Crew
18	01/16/1944	FEN IV-10	Strike	Shipping, Ambon Harbor	15	W. Miller	GP	
19	01/19/1944	FEN IV-11	Strike	Ambon	9	Henschke	528	Shaw Crew
20	02/11/1944	FEN IV-28	Strike	Kendari	3	Banks	528	
21	02/15/1944	FEN IV-29	Strike	Halong	7	Raggio	528	
22	02/20/1944	FEN IV-33	Strike	Burns	13	Burns	528	
23	02/25/1944	FEN IV-37	Strike	Shipping, Ceram Sea	13	Burns	528	

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NOTES: Missions 24-26: New Guinea Deployment IV

NO.	DATE (M/D/Y)	MISSION #	MISSION TYPE	TARGET	CREW #	ACFT CMDR	SQDN	RESULTS/NOTES
24	03/01/1944	61-F	Strike	Awar Plantation, Hansa Bay, NG	13	Burns	528	
25	03/02/1944	62-F	Strike	Nubia A/D, Hansa Bay, NG	13	Burns	528	
26	03/05/1944	65-K	Strike	Los Negros	24	Robertson	529	Crashed in Sea on Take-Off