

DATA SHEET
380TH BOMB GROUP AIRCRAFT

No. 071

SERIAL NO.:	<u>42-72790</u>	MOST POPULAR NOSE ART NAME:	<u>SANDRA KAY</u>
MODEL:	<u>B-24D-155-CO</u>	MFR:	<u>Consolidated-San Diego</u>
		CONTRACTOR'S NO.:	<u>2360</u>
INITIAL MFG DATE:	<u>07/16/1943</u>	MFG COMPLETION DATE:	<u>07/24/1943</u>
FIRST FLIGHT DATE:	<u>07/29/1943</u>	MOD CENTER DATE:	<u>08/05/1943</u>
		MOD CENTER PLACE:	<u>Tucson</u>
USAAF ACCEPTANCE DATE:	<u>07/31/1943</u>		
TO STAGING AREA DATE:	<u>08/13/1943</u>	STAGING PLACE:	<u>Topeka</u>
OVERSEAS FLIGHT DATE:	<u>09/06/1943</u>	DEPARTURE PLACE:	<u>Fairfield, CA</u>
OVERSEAS ARRIVAL DATE:	<u>09/16/1943</u>	DESTINATION:	<u>Townsville</u>
MOD COMPLETED OVERSEAS:	<u>Nose turret</u>	OVERSEAS MOD PLACE:	<u>Townsville</u>
ASSIGNMENT:	<u>380/530</u>	ASSIGNMENT DATE:	<u>10/19/1943</u>
STATION:	<u>Fenton</u>		
FIRST MISSION:	<u>11/09/1943</u>	WHERE (1 ST MISSION):	<u>Sourabaja, Java</u>
NO. OF MISSIONS:	<u>89 AU/NG + 34 PH = 123</u>	TERMINATION DATE:	<u>05/19/1945</u>
WHY TERMINATED:	<u>Crash Landing</u>		
WHERE TERMINATED:	<u>Mindoro, Philippines</u>		
STRICKEN OFF CHARGE:	<u>05/26/1945</u>	WHERE REMOVED:	<u>UCIP</u>

NOTES: RAAF, RCM Receiver Installed

AIRCRAFT RECORD CARD

Serial No.: 42-72790

Nose Art: SANDRA KAY

Model: B-24D-155-CO

Model B-24D Serial Number 42-72790
 Funds F-1 A. A. F. Order No. AC-30461 Cost \$241,924.00 Date Received 7-28-43 Manufacturer Consolidated
 Branch RA Status S Date Dropped _____ Reason _____

SERIAL Number	Condition	LOCATION	DATE		AGE	FLYING TIME				TRANSFERRED			REMARKS	
			F. Y.	C. Mo.		This Month Hours	Since Last Depot Work Hours	Since First Commissioned Hours	TO	Date Shipped	Rec'd	AUTHORITY		
											Tucson (By Air)	8-5-43		
											Mod. Center Topeka	8-13-43		
											LEER A. G. - 13 H. P.	9-16-43		
		<i>U.rip</i>			<i>Con</i>	<i>50 G</i>					<i>5-26-45</i>			

MAINTENANCE CREW

Serial No.: 42-72790

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	SSN	Rank	Name
Crew Chief(s):	19056129	M/Sgt	Max V. Helman

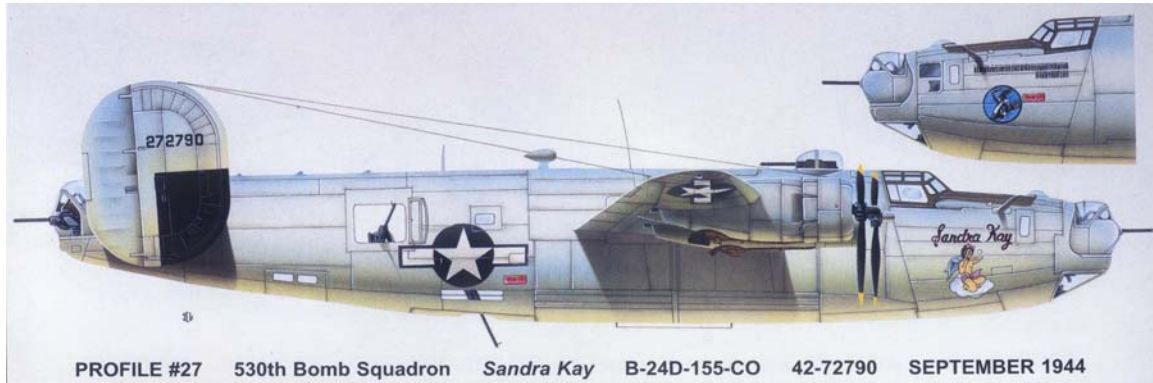
	SSN	Rank	Name
Mechanic(s):	19062704	T/Sgt	Duward E. Hunt
	33107728	T/Sgt	Hugh L. McLeish

Notes:

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Source: Horton, Best in the Southwest.

Right Side, OD and NMF



Source: Horton/Horton, King of the Heavies, p. 146.



Source: Joe Dally Collection.



ED HARKINS' 530th CREW

Standing, L to R: Chas. Henderson-WG, Jim Benson-NOSE, Ken Hopper-ENG/TOP, Chester Juriak-TAIL, Ken Sanchez-R/O, Dick Dakeyne-RAAF/RCM Operator, Kneeling: Harkins-P, Fred Kehrer-NAV, Bob Jones-CP, Frank Nelson-BOMB. absent: Louis Monnig-WG.

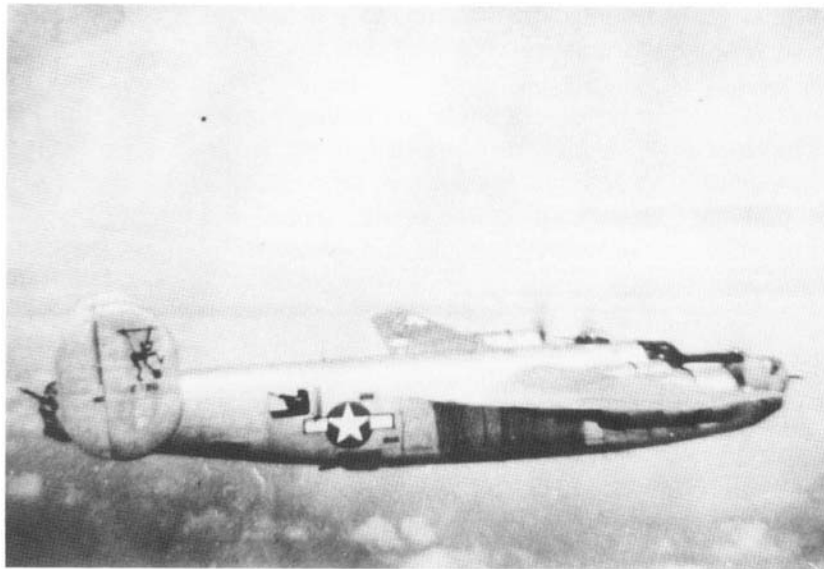
Dick Dakeyne Collection

Source: Horton, Best in the Southwest, p. 192.



Sandra Kay, named after the daughter of one of the gunners on the Harkins crew was the first 380th plane to make 100 missions. *Lee Brissey Collection*

Source: Horton, Best in the Southwest, p. 318.



#2790 *Sandra Kay* with the new Circus tail markings.
Fred Kehrer Collection

Source: Horton, Best in the Southwest, p. 318.



#790 Sandra Kay, the top mission aircraft within the 380th.
Gordon Burns Collection

Source: Horton, *Best in the Southwest*, p. 485.



Source: Horton, *Best in the Southwest*, p. 498.



Source: <http://www.b24bestweb.com/sandrakay.htm>

Left Side

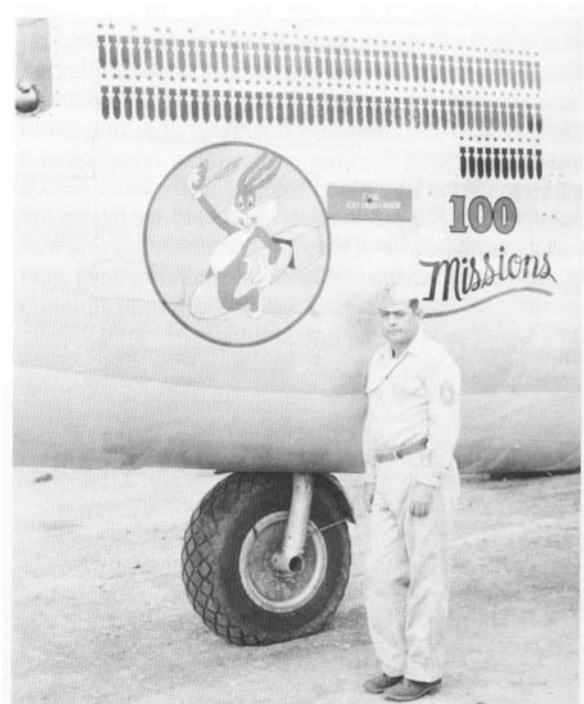


Source: Horton/Horton, *King of the Heavies*, p. 84.



#790 *Sandra Kay*, the 380th's great dowager with 130 missions to its credit, none in the unit surpassed it.
Travis Brassfield Collection

Source: Horton, *Best in the Southwest*.



Crew Chief, M/Sgt. Max Hellman, and his famous plane, *Sandra Kay*. Note the Bugs Bunny squadron logo of the 530th. This is the standard location for these markings.
Lee Brissey Collection

Source: Horton, *Best in the Southwest*, p. 318.

MISSION RECORD

SN 42-72790 **NOSE ART** SANDRA KAY **MODEL** D-155-CO
SQDN ASSGD 530 **MFR** Consolidated-San Diego **M#** 790

LOCATION: Australia

NOTES: Missions 8-10 New Guinea Deployment III

NO.	DATE (M/D/Y)	MISSION #	MISSION TYPE	TARGET	CREW #	ACFT CMDR	SQDN	RESULTS/NOTES
1	11/09/1943	FEN III-21	Strike	Sourabaja	38	Harkins	530	
2	11/11/1943	FEN III-22	Strike	Sourabaja	38	Harkins	530	
3	11/17/1943	FEN III-24	Strike	Tjepoe, Java	26	Brissey	530	M. Baker Crew
4	11/21/1943	FEN III-28	Strike	Maikoor	38	Harkins	530	
5	11/24/1943	FEN III-30	Strike	Kaoe Bay, Halmahera	38	Harkins	530	
6	12/03/1943	FEN III-33	Strike	Koepang	38	Harkins	530	
7	12/07/1943	FEN III-35	Strike	Pelauw Village, Haroekoe Island	38	Harkins	530	
8	12/13/1943	346DD	Strike	Cape Hoskins Airdrome	38	Harkins	530	Abort, Supercharger Out
9	12/14/1943	347GG	Strike	Arawe Plantation	59	Mulhollen	530	First Mission for this Crew
10	12/14/1943	347II	Strike	Arawe	59	Mulhollen	530	

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SQDN ASSGD 530 MFR Consolidated-San Diego M# 790

LOCATION: Australia

NOTES: Missions 11-21: New Guinea Deployment III

NO.	DATE (M/D/Y)	MISSION #	MISSION TYPE	TARGET	CREW #	ACFT CMDR	SQDN	RESULTS/NOTES
11	12/15/1943	348DD	Strike	Cape Gloucester	38	Harkins	530	
12	12/16/1943	349AA	Strike	Cape Gloucester	38	Harkins	530	
13	12/18/1943	351DD	Strike	Cape Hoskins Airdrome	38	Harkins	530	
14	12/20/1943	353GG	Strike	Gloucester Target #3	38	Harkins	530	
15	12/21/1943	354FF	Strike	Gloucester	38	Harkins	530	
16	12/22/1943	355JJ	Strike	Gloucester	38	Harkins	530	
17	12/23/1943	356FF	Strike	Gloucester	38	Harkins	530	
18	12/24/1943	357EE	Strike	Gloucester	52	Cesario	530	
19	12/24/1943	357EE	Strike	Gloucester	52	Cesario	530	
20	12/25/1943	358EE	Strike	Cape Gloucester	38	Harkins	530	
21	12/26/1943	359HH	Strike	Cape Gloucester	38	Harkins	530	

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NOTES: Missions 22-23: New Guinea Deployment III

Missions 31-32: New Guinea Deployment IV

NO.	DATE (M/D/Y)	MISSION #	MISSION TYPE	TARGET	CREW #	ACFT CMDR	SQDN	RESULTS/NOTES
22	12/26/1943	359MM	Strike	Cape Gloucester	38	Harkins	530	
23	12/29/1943	362DD	Strike	Cape Gloucester	38	Harkins	530	
24	01/08/1944	FEN IV-1	Strike	Kendari	41	Roberts	530	
25	01/12/1944	FEN IV-3	Strike	Balikpapan	64	Piper	530	
26	01/19/1944	FEN IV-11	Strike	Ambon	38	Harkins	530	
27	01/28/1944	FEN IV-19	Recce	Shipping, Banda Sea	66	Planck	530	
28	02/02/1944	FEN IV-21	Strike	Sorong	38	Harkins	530	Abort, Landing Gear, #3 Engine
29	02/16/1944	FEN IV-31	Strike	Shipping, Banda Sea	38	Harkins	530	
30	02/20/1944	FEN IV-33	Strike	Laha	38	Harkins	530	
31	03/02/1944	62-F	Strike	Nubia A/D, Hansa Bay, NG	12	Shaffer	528	
32	03/03/1944	64-C	Strike	Hollandia	60	Brenholtz	530	

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NOTES: Mission 33: New Guinea Deployment IV

NO.	DATE (M/D/Y)	MISSION #	MISSION TYPE	TARGET	CREW #	ACFT CMDR	SQDN	RESULTS/NOTES
33	03/08/1944	68-I	Strike	Borom, Wewak	38	Harkins	530	
34	03/15/1944	FEN V-18	Strike	Soerabaja	38	Harkins	530	Abort, Weather
35	03/17/1944	FEN V-30	Strike	Soerabaja	3	Stovell	528	
36	04/18/1944	FEN VI-24	Strike	Manokwari	38	Harkins	530	
37	04/21/1944	FEN VI-30	Strike	Noemfoor Island	53	Louden	530	
38	04/22/1944	FEN VI-31	Strike	Noemfoor Island	38	Harkins	530	
39	04/26/1944	FEN VI-39	Strike	Jefman A/D	38	Harkins	530	
40	04/28/1944	FEN VI-43	Strike	Jefman A/D	63	Marshall	530	
41	05/06/1944	FEN VII-4	Recce	Photo, Halmahera	53	Martin	530	Louden Crew
42	05/09/1944	FEN VII-10	Recce	Shipping, Geelvink Bay	38	Garrison	530	Harkins Crew
43	05/13/1944	FEN VII-13	Strike	Kamiri and Namber A/D, Noemfoor	38	Harkins	530	

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NO.	DATE (M/D/Y)	MISSION #	MISSION TYPE	TARGET	CREW #	ACFT CMDR	SQDN	RESULTS/NOTES
44	05/21/1944	FEN VII-21	Strike	Manokwari	56	Frecker (RAAF)	530	First Mission for this Crew; Abort, High Fuel Use
45	05/26/1944	FEN VII-23	Strike	Manokwari	38	Harkins	530	
46	06/06/1944	FEN VII-31	Strike	Shipping, Waigeo Island	38	Harkins	530	
47	06/22/1944	FEN VII-38	Strike	Liang	38	Harkins	530	
48	06/27/1944	FEN VII-43	Strike	Babo	56	Frecker (RAAF)	530	
49	06/29/1944	FEN VII-45	Strike	Babo	61	Thompson	530	
50	07/01/1944	FEN VIII-1	Strike	Shipping, Banda Sea	59	Black	530	
51	07/03/1944	FEN VIII-2	Reece	Weather, Banda and Ceram Seas	65	Tovarez	530	
52	07/04/1944	FEN VIII-8	Strike	Amahai	67	MacDonald (RAAF)	530	

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NO.	DATE (M/D/Y)	MISSION #	MISSION TYPE	TARGET	CREW #	ACFT CMDR	SQDN	RESULTS/NOTES
53	07/19/1944	FEN VIII-31	Strike	Namlea	67	Petre	530	Abort, Oil Leak #3 Engine First Mission for this Crew
54	07/20/1944	FEN VIII-35	Strike	Amahai	67	Petre	530	
55	07/25/1944	FEN VIII-41	Strike	Namlea	55	Thompson	530	
56	07/31/1944	FEN IX-7	Strike	Amahai	64	DeLoache	530	
57	08/02/1944	FEN IX-14	Strike	Laha	70	White (RAAF)	530	
58	08/13/1944	FEN IX-29	Strike	Namlea	72	Hirst (RAAF)	530	Abort, Sick Crewman
59	08/17/1944	FEN IX-36	Strike	Namlea	62	Bailey	530	
60	08/23/1944	FEN IX-46	Strike	Langgoer	71	Duigan (RAAF)	530	
61	08/25/1944	FEN IX-47	Strike	Laha	71	Duigan (RAAF)	530	
62	08/26/1944	FEN IX-48	Strike	Liang	56	McDaniel	530	

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63	08/31/1944	FEN X-3	Strike	Liang	72	Hirst (RAAF)	530	
64	09/02/1944	FEN X-8	Strike	Amahai	71	Duigan (RAAF)	530	
65	09/04/1944	FEN X-9	Strike	Kendari	71	Duigan (RAAF)	530	
66	09/08/1944	FEN X-15	Strike	Kai Islands	71	Duigan (RAAF)	530	
67	09/10/1944	FEN X-20	Strike	Laha	71	Duigan (RAAF)	530	
68	09/20/1944	FEN X-45	Strike	Haroekoe	71	Duigan (RAAF)	530	
69	09/24/1944	FEN XI-8	Strike	Haroekoe	51	Cruze	530	
70	09/27/1944	FEN XI-19	Strike	Haroekoe	53	Louden	530	
71	09/29/1944	FEN XI-23	Strike	Liang	59	Garrett	530	Black Crew

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NO.	DATE (M/D/Y)	MISSION #	MISSION TYPE	TARGET	CREW #	ACFT CMDR	SQDN	RESULTS/NOTES
72	10/02/1944	DAR I-4	Strike	Macassar	72A	Harrison (RAAF)	530	First Mission for this Crew
73	10/05/1944	DAR I-10	Strike	Macassar	54	McHale	530	
74	10/14/1944	DAR I-37	Strike	Pomelaa	71A	Lister (RAAF)	530	
75	10/20/1944	DAR II-4	Search H-2- Green	Banda Sea	71A	Lister (RAAF)	530	
76	10/25/1944	DAR II-22	Strike	Ambesia	62	Beach	530	First Mission for this Crew
77	10/28/1944	DAR II-30	Strike	Macassar	71A	Lister (RAAF)	530	
78	10/30/1944	DAR II-36	Strike	Macassar	68	Huet	530	Kiel Crew
79	11/01/1944	DAR II-41	Search H-2- Green	Banda Sea	59	Black	530	
80	11/02/1944	DAR II-46	Strike	Macassar	52	Bevers	530	
81	11/06/1944	DAR III-5	Strike	Malili	62	Beach	530	

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82	11/09/1944	DAR III-12	Search H-2- Green	Banda and Molucca Seas	52	Bevers	530	
83	12/21/1944	DAR V-30	Search H-1- Red	Banda Sea	72A	McPherson (RAAF)	530	
84	12/24/1944	DAR V-39	Search H-2- Green	Banda Sea	61	Jenkins	530	
85	12/29/1944	DAR VI-7	Search H-1- Red	Banda Sea	55	Kiel	530	Thompson Crew
86	01/04/1945	DAR VI-29	Search H-1- Red	Banda Sea	64	DeLoache	530	
87	01/08/1945	DAR VI-38	Search G-1- Red	Flores Sea	55	Planck	530	Thompson Crew
88	01/10/1945	DAR VI-47	Search I-1- Red	Banda and Molucca Seas	63	Black	530	Udall Crew
89	01/28/1945	DAR VII-6	Strike	Lembar, Soemba	67	Petre	530	Abort, #2 Engine Out