

DATA SHEET
380TH BOMB GROUP AIRCRAFT

No. 003

SERIAL NO.: <u>42-40369</u>	MOST POPULAR NOSE ART NAME: <u>SHADY LADY</u>
MODEL: <u>B-24D-53-CO</u>	MFR: <u>Consolidated-San Diego</u>
	CONTRACTOR'S NO.: <u>1446</u>
INITIAL MFG DATE: <u>01/30/1943</u>	MFG COMPLETION DATE: <u>02/12/1943</u>
FIRST FLIGHT DATE: <u>02/17/1943</u>	MOD CENTER DATE: <u>03/06/1943</u>
USAAF ACCEPTANCE DATE: <u>02/19/1943</u>	MOD CENTER PLACE: <u>Fort Worth</u>
TO STAGING AREA DATE: <u>No ARC</u>	STAGING PLACE: <u>Topeka</u>
OVERSEAS FLIGHT DATE: <u>No ARC</u>	DEPARTURE PLACE: <u>Hamilton Field, CA</u>
OVERSEAS ARRIVAL DATE: <u>No ARC</u>	DESTINATION: <u>Amberly Field, Brisbane, AUS</u>
MOD COMPLETED OVERSEAS: <u>Nose turret</u>	OVERSEAS MOD PLACE: <u>Townsville</u>
ASSIGNMENT: <u>380/528</u>	ASSIGNMENT DATE: <u>Initial Deployment</u>
STATION: <u>Fenton</u>	
FIRST MISSION: <u>06/10/1943</u>	WHERE (1 ST MISSION): <u>Sorong, New Guinea</u>
NO. OF MISSIONS: <u>6 AU</u>	TERMINATION DATE: <u>08/14/1943</u>
WHY TERMINATED: <u>Damaged, Crash Landing, Sent for Repairs, Not Returned, Probably Salvaged</u>	
WHERE TERMINATED: <u>Townsville, Australia</u>	
STRICKEN OFF CHARGE: <u>No ARC</u>	WHERE REMOVED: <u>No ARC</u>

NOTES: Nose turret
 ARC = Aircraft Record Card

AIRCRAFT RECORD CARD

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MAINTENANCE CREW

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	SSN	Rank	Name
Crew Chief(s):	38069354	M/Sgt	Thomas L. Casey

	SSN	Rank	Name
Mechanic(s):	37124836	Sgt	Clarence W. Hanner

Notes:

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Note: Possible nose turret: had to have been before 10 June since received flak damage at that time.



Source: Horton/Horton, *King of the Heavies*, p. 37.



Craig Crew, Drysdale Mission, Australia, after running out of gas returning from Balikpapan, 08/14/1943

Source: *King of the Heavies*, p. 37; Horton, *Best in the Southwest*, p. 78.



Pushing aircraft for spectacular 1500 foot take-off.

Source: *Best in the Southwest*, p. 79.



Source: Joe Dally Collection.



Damaged nose turret modification removed and old "greenhouse" put in place; she was on her 5th mission when this damage occurred.

Source: *Best in the Southwest*, p. 78.

MISSION RECORD

SN 42-40369 **NOSE ART** SHADY LADY **MODEL** D-53-CO
SQDN ASSGD 528 **MFR** Consolidated-San Diego **M#** 369
LOCATION: Australia

NOTES: Familiarization Mission with 90/319 prior to Activation (No records extant showing 380th planes carrying out missions under 90BG control)

NO.	DATE (M/D/Y)	MISSION #	MISSION TYPE	TARGET	CREW #	ACFT CMDR	SQDN	RESULTS/NOTES
1	06/10/1943	FEN I-34	Strike	Shipping Strike, Sorong, New Guinea	8	Colleran	529	Craig Crew
2	06/11/1943	FEN I-50	Recce	Koepang, Timor	2	Colleran	528	Grenfel Crew
2A	06/11/1943	FEN I-51	Search	Search for Missing B-24	Staff	Colleran	Group	Special Missions-Australia (May be same as previous mission listed for the same date)
3	06/23/1943	FEN I-42	Strike	Macassar, Celebes	9	W. Miller	528	Sowa Crew
4	07/03/1943	FEN I-45	Strike	Kendari, Celebes	1	Z. Smith	528	Hastings Crew
5	07/10/1943	FEN II-1	Recce	Selaroe; Boela, Ceram	1	Ware	528	Hastings Crew
6	08/13/1943	FEN II-21	Strike	Balikpapan	8	D. Craig	528	Crash landing, Drysdale, Australia
								Repaired but Salvaged