

**DATA SHEET**  
**380TH BOMB GROUP AIRCRAFT**

No. 055

SERIAL NO.:	<u>42-41225</u>	MOST POPULAR NOSE ART NAME:	<u>SUNSHINE I</u>
MODEL:	<u>B-24D-150-CO</u>	MFR:	<u>Consolidated-San Diego</u>
		CONTRACTOR'S NO.:	<u>2302</u>
INITIAL MFG DATE:	<u>07/07/1943</u>	MFG COMPLETION DATE:	<u>07/15/1943</u>
FIRST FLIGHT DATE:	<u>07/17/1943</u>	MOD CENTER DATE:	<u>07/22/1943</u>
		MOD CENTER PLACE:	<u>Tucson</u>
USAAF ACCEPTANCE DATE:	<u>07/20/1943</u>		
TO STAGING AREA DATE:	<u>08/08/1943</u>	STAGING PLACE:	<u>Biggs Field, El Paso</u>
OVERSEAS FLIGHT DATE:	<u>09/12/1943</u>	DEPARTURE PLACE:	<u>Fairfield, CA</u>
OVERSEAS ARRIVAL DATE:	<u>09/17/1943</u>	DESTINATION:	<u>Townsville</u>
MOD COMPLETED OVERSEAS:	<u></u>	OVERSEAS MOD PLACE:	<u></u>
ASSIGNMENT:	<u>380/531</u>	ASSIGNMENT DATE:	<u></u>
STATION:	<u>Long Strip</u>		
FIRST MISSION:	<u>11/22/1943</u>	WHERE (1 <sup>ST</sup> MISSION):	<u>Morotai Straits</u>
NO. OF MISSIONS:	<u>16 AU/NG</u>	TERMINATION DATE:	<u>03/08/1944</u>
WHY TERMINATED:	<u>Shot Down</u>		
WHERE TERMINATED:	<u>Wewak, New Guinea</u>		
STRICKEN OFF CHARGE:	<u>03/08/1944</u>	WHERE REMOVED:	<u>AFMSC</u>

NOTES:



**MAINTENANCE CREW**

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	<b>SSN</b>	<b>Rank</b>	<b>Name</b>
<b>Crew Chief(s):</b>	11049965	M/Sgt	Daniel J. Bagley

	<b>SSN</b>	<b>Rank</b>	<b>Name</b>
<b>Mechanic(s):</b>	36501347	Sgt	Walter C. Schwerin

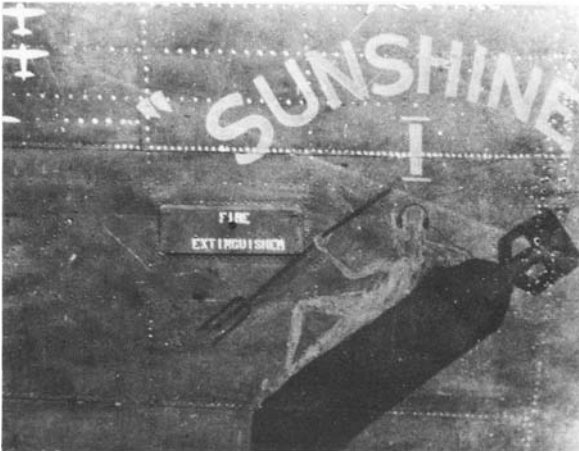
**Notes:**

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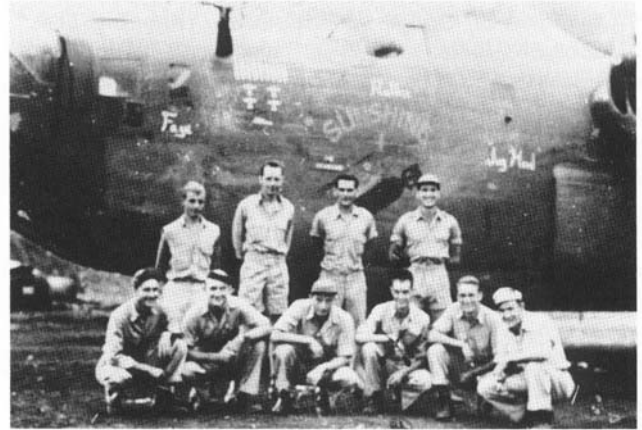
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## *Left Side*



*Source: Horton/Horton, King of the Heavies, p. 57.*



**JOHN NUNAN'S 531st CREW**  
*James Leahy Collection*

*Source: Horton/Horton, King of the Heavies, p. 171; Horton, Best in the Southwest, p. 488.*



#225 *Sunshine* stuck in a soft taxiway at Long Strip. Note this plane is a "D" model with a Hawaiian Air Depot nose turret modification.  
*William Camp Collection*

*Source: Horton, Best in the Southwest, p. 193.*

*Right Side*



Details for model airplane builders: Compare the artwork on *Sunshine's* left side [p.193] with this photo and notice the left has "1" while the right uses a "1" beneath the name.  
*Edgar Smith Collection*

*Source: Horton, Best in the Southwest, p. 194.*

## MISSION RECORD

SN 42-41225 NOSE ART SUNSHINE I MODEL D-150-CO

SQDN ASSGD 531 MFR Consolidated-San Diego M# 225

LOCATION: Australia

NOTES: \_\_\_\_\_

NO.	DATE (M/D/Y)	MISSION #	MISSION TYPE	TARGET	CREW #	ACFT CMDR	SQDN	RESULTS/NOTES
1	11/22/1943	FEN III-29	Strike	Morotai Straits	85	Lasko	531	
2	11/25/1943	FEN III-30	Strike	Shipping, Ambon	78	Deaton	531	
3	12/03/1943	FEN III-33	Strike	Koepang	78	Deaton	531	
4	12/10/1943	FEN III-36	Strike	Balikpapan	78	Deaton	531	
5	12/29/1943	FEN III-43	Recce	Shipping, Manokwari	53	F. Miller	531	
6	01/02/1944	FEN III-44	Strike	Pomelaa	53	F. Miller	531	
7	01/10/1944	FEN IV-2	Recce	Christmas Island	53	F. Miller	531	Camera Malfunction
8	01/12/1944	FEN IV-2 RPT	Recce	Christmas Island	53	F. Miller	531	Camera Malfunction
9	02/02/1944	FEN IV-21	Strike	Sorong	92	Henderson	531	
10	02/05/1944	FEN IV-24	Recce	Shipping, Geelvink Bay, Japen Island	92	Henderson	531	
11	02/15/1944	FEN IV-30	Recce	Halmahera	78	Deaton	531	

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NOTES: Missions 14-16: New Guinea Deployment IV

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12	02/20/1944	FEN IV-33	Strike	Laha	78	Deaton	531	
13	02/26/1944	FEN IV-38	Recce	Waigeo Island	84	Manley	531	Abort, Supercharger Out
14	03/01/1944	61-F	Strike	Awar Plantation, Hansa Bay, NG	78	Deaton	531	
15	03/03/1944	64-C	Strike	Hollandia	27	Dow	529	
16	03/08/1944	68-I	Strike	Boram, Wewak	33	Jennings	529	Shot Down - Fighters