

DATA SHEET
380TH BOMB GROUP AIRCRAFT

No. 034

SERIAL NO.:	<u>42-40524</u>	MOST POPULAR NOSE ART NAME:	<u>THE RED ASS</u>
MODEL:	<u>B-24D-65-CO</u>	MFR:	<u>Consolidated-San Diego</u>
		CONTRACTOR'S NO.:	<u>1601</u>
INITIAL MFG DATE:	<u>03/05/1943</u>	MFG COMPLETION DATE:	<u>03/17/1943</u>
FIRST FLIGHT DATE:	<u>03/19/1943</u>	MOD CENTER DATE:	<u>03/26/1943</u>
		MOD CENTER PLACE:	<u></u>
USAAF ACCEPTANCE DATE:	<u>03/22/1943</u>		
TO STAGING AREA DATE:	<u>04/19/1943</u>	STAGING PLACE:	<u></u>
OVERSEAS FLIGHT DATE:	<u>04/26/1943</u>	DEPARTURE PLACE:	<u>Hamilton Field, CA</u>
OVERSEAS ARRIVAL DATE:	<u>05/05/1943</u>	DESTINATION:	<u>Amberly Field, Brisbane, AUS</u>
MOD COMPLETED OVERSEAS:	<u></u>	OVERSEAS MOD PLACE:	<u></u>
ASSIGNMENT:	<u>380/530</u>	ASSIGNMENT DATE:	<u>Initial Deployment</u>
STATION:	<u>Fenton</u>		
FIRST MISSION:	<u>06/11/1943</u>	WHERE (1 ST MISSION):	<u>Koepang, Timor</u>
NO. OF MISSIONS:	<u>15 AU</u>	TERMINATION DATE:	<u>09/11/1943</u>
WHY TERMINATED:	<u>Shot down, Flak or Friendly Fire by Own Bombs</u>		
WHERE TERMINATED:	<u>Macassar, Celebes</u>		
STRICKEN OFF CHARGE:	<u>09/11/1943</u>	WHERE REMOVED:	<u>AFMSC</u>

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AIRCRAFT RECORD CARD

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MODEL <u>B-24D</u>		SERIAL NUMBER <u>42-40524</u>								
FORM NO. <u>P-1</u>	A.C. ORDER NO. <u>W535-80-24620</u>	COST <u>\$ 297,627.00</u>	DATE RECEIVED <u>3-21-43</u>							
STATUS <u>S</u>	DATE DROPPED	REASON								
NAME	LOCATION	DATE	AGE	FLYING TIME			TRANSFERRED			REMARKS
				THIS MONTH	SIN. LAST DEPT. WORK	SIN. FIRST COMMISSIONED	TO	DATE	AUTHORITY	
YR	MO	DAY	HR	MIN	HR	MIN	TO	DATE	AUTHORITY	
							Tucson (By Air)	3-26-43	Yod.	Proj. #96082 4/17.
							Center (USA)			
							Topeka AF	4-19-43		
							Left A	4-26-43 5-2-43		Proj. #96082
							LEFT A	2 01 30		
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							<i>CON AFMS</i>			

MAINTENANCE CREW

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	SSN	Rank	Name
Crew Chief(s):	16041860	M/Sgt	William V. Clarke

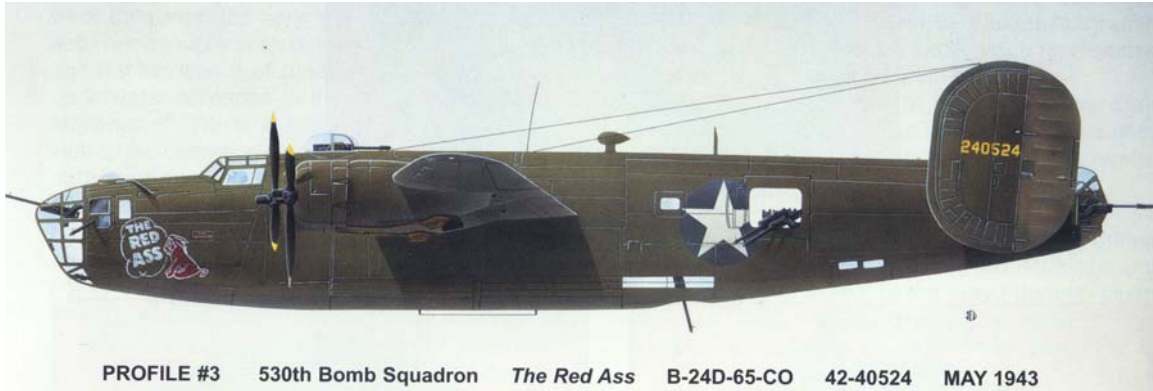
	SSN	Rank	Name
Mechanic(s):			Not Available in Current Records

Notes:

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Left Side Only



Source: Livingstone, *Under the Southern Cross*, p. 74.



Source: Bob Alford Collection.



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



Source: Horton/Horton, *King of the Heavies*, p. 108.

MORRIS CREW

Crew members who participated in the bombing mission over Balikpapan, Borneo, from their base at Fenton Field, Australia. From left to right, front row: S/Sgt. Chester R. Brown of Chicago, IL, asst radio operator; T/Sgt. Paul D. Jones of Prescott, AZ, engineering; T/Sgt. Elmer T. Hallam of Kalamazoo, MI, radio operator; and S/Sgt. Curtiss L. Warren of Santa Monica, CA, nose gunner. Back row, left to right: Lt. Paul A. Stansbury of Asbury Park, NJ, bombardier; 2nd Lt. Edward F. Skuzinski of Grand Rapids, MI, navigator; Lt. Wilbur L. Morris of Marysville, CA, pilot; T/Sgt. William J. Pratscher of Chicago, IL, waist gunner; and S/Sgt. Wilson E. Page of Detroit, MI, waist gunner. 30 August 1943.

Caption source: Jim Leddy.

MISSION RECORD

SN 42-40524 NOSE ART THE RED ASS MODEL D-65-CO

SQDN ASSGD 530 MFR Consolidated-San Diego M# 524

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	06/11/1943	FEN I-35	Strike	Koepang, Timor	9	Merkel	528	Sowa Crew
2	07/03/1943	FEN I-45	Strike	Kendari, Celebes	24	Morris	530	Farrington, Copilot
3	07/10/1943	FEN II-1	Recce	Selaroe; Boela, Ceram	24	Farrington	530	Morris Crew
4	07/11/1943	FEN I-52	Search	Search for Missing B-24	22	Lippincott	530	Special Missions-Australia
5	07/14/1943	FEN II-2	Strike	Strike, Koepang	24	Morris	530	
6	07/18/1943	FEN II-4	Strike	Macassar, Celebes	24	Morris	530	
7	07/21/1943	FEN II-5	Strike	Sourabaya, Java	1	Henschke	528	Hastings Crew
8	07/28/1943	FEN II-11	Recce	Nabiri, Manokwari, Fak Fak	23	Dennis	530	
9	07/30/1943	FEN II-15	Strike	Waingepoe, Soemba	4	Baker	528	
10	07/31/1943	FEN I-54	Search	Search for Missing B-24	24	Morris	530	Special Missions-Australia

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NO.	DATE (M/D/Y)	MISSION #	MISSION TYPE	TARGET	CREW #	ACFT CMDR	SQDN	RESULTS/NOTES
11	08/03/1943	FEN II-16	Recce	Nabire, Manokwari, Larat	24	Morris	530	
12	08/21/1943	FEN II-23	Strike	Pomelaa	HDQ	W. Miller	HDQ	
13	08/22/1943	FEN II-26	Strike	Kendari	21	Bratton		
14	09/05/1943	FEN II-34	Recce	Nabire, Manokwari, Sorong	22	Lippincott	530	
15	09/11/1943	FEN II-38	Strike	Macassar	22	Lippincott	530	Shot Down