

AVIATION COMMAND AND CONTROL MARINE OF THE YEAR



THE KENNETH A. INNIS AWARD

Presented by THE MARINE CORPS AVIATION ASSOCIATION to

Established in Honor of
Master Gunnery Sergeant
Kenneth A. Innis

In Recognition of
The Most Outstanding Contribution
Made by an Enlisted Marine in the
Air Command and Control Field



LOCKHEED MARTIN

- 2008 GySgt Rachel L. Eltz
- 2007 SSgt K. J. Williams
- 2006 Sgt N. A. Norville
- 2005 GySgt J. A. Dobbins
- 2004 GySgt Russell T. Sinclair
- 2003 SSgt Charles C. Robinett
- 2002 GySgt R. G. Eskam
- 2001 Sgt Michael Soto
- 2000 GySgt Vernon K. Abshire
- 1999 Sgt Victor B. Watts
- 1998 SSgt Kenneth C. Reynolds
- 1997 GySgt Carol A. Franssen
- 1996 Sgt Andrew C. Johnson
- 1995 SSgt Dean L. Jones
- 1994 MGySgt Donald L. Kopff
- 1993 GySgt Samuel R. Schmidt
- 1992 GySgt Timothy P. Bougher
- 1991 SSgt Brent W. Pforthmiller
- 1990 Cpl Derek R. Andersen
- 1989 Sgt Timothy J. Didas
- 1988 Sgt Brian E. Dundon

MASTER SERGEANT
GARY G. GUMIENNY



Award Citation

Master Sergeant Gary G. Gumienny performed meritorious service while serving as Squadron Operations Chief, Marine Air Support Squadron 2, Marine Air Control Group 18, 1st Marine Aircraft Wing, and Lead Mission Commander and Senior Enlisted Leader, Joint Airborne Battle Staff, 777th Expeditionary Airlift Squadron, U.S. Marine Corps Forces, Central Command, Multi-National Forces-Iraq, from 1 May 2008 to 30 April 2009. During this period, MSgt Gumienny executed his duties in an exemplary and highly professional manner. His technical expertise and superb leadership contributed to the successful accomplishment of numerous joint and coalition exercises and operations. MSgt Gumienny spearheaded the establishment of Command and Control Standard Operating Procedures within the squadron, radically improving training and execution of Direct Air Support Center operations and further facilitated weapons tactics, techniques and procedures instruction and combat skills enhancement. MSgt Gumienny's unmatched standards, abilities and total dedication to duty reflected great credit upon him and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the Marine Corps and the United States Naval Service.



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