



# Hall of Fame



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Awards Committee

Montford Point Marine Association Inc.

Attn: National Award Chairperson

1stSgt Kenneth Crutcher USMC retired

Mr. Crutcher,

It is with great joy that I recommend the individuals in the attached for consideration for the noted Montford Point Marine Association Awards. I sincerely believe that each of these individuals has distinguished themselves in the performance of their duties for the greater good of the entire Association and they are deserving of the awards they are recommended for.

If any clarification is needed please contact me direct.

Respectfully submitted;

Joseph H. Geeter III

Master Gunnery Sergeant USMC retired

National President

Montford Point Marine Association Inc



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## ***Hall-of Fame Nomination***

***For***

### ***Master Gunnery Sergeant Gilbert Taylor USMC ret***

It is recommended that Master Gunnery Sergeant Gilbert Taylor be considered for induction in the Montford Point Marine Hall of Fame. Master Gunny Taylor has been an active productive member of our Association for the past 13 years. Beginning at the Chapter level the Master Guns has developed and implemented many processes that are in use at the National Office today. The Master Gunny served as the Treasurer, Financial Secretary and Program Designer for the Beaufort Chapter from 1995-2001. Besides ensuring that the chapter remained financially solvent through his meticulous bookkeeping, the Master Guns was the principal designer of many flyers, pamphlets, tickets and posters that advertised the many events the Beaufort Chapter sponsored during his years there. The Master Gunny also personally purchased a membership card machine that allowed the Beaufort Chapter to immediately put membership cards in the hands of new members. This design was later adapted by the National Office for all members. The Master Gunny also designed and stood up the Beaufort Chapter website which has morphed into our current National Website. Our website has directly contributed to the start of at least two new chapters and the recruitment of countless new members. Additionally, the site has been the source for countless newspaper articles and education for the nearly 30,000 individuals that have visited our site. Master Gunny Sergeant Taylor was elected to the National Office as Public Relations Officer in 1998 and served admirably in this position ensuring that major military magazines included our convention information in their publications.

Not one to rest on his laurels, the Master Guns personally designed two covers for our National Journal. The 40<sup>th</sup> Convention Journal was in great demand because of his artwork on the cover. The Master Guns personally worked with then National Vice President Joe Geeter on a trilogy of commemorative coins that depicted special events in the history of Montford Point. These coins sold very well for the Association and are considered collector items by the members. Master Gunny Taylor went on to work with the Ladies Auxiliary to develop a beautiful coin specifically designed for them. Further he finally designed two additional coins for the 51<sup>st</sup> and 52<sup>nd</sup> Defense Battalion.

A multi talented Marine, Master Gunny Taylor has also served as the official photographer at our National Convention capturing the official group shot during the Chicago, Jacksonville, NC and Jacksonville FL Conventions. Although encouraged to submit vouchers for reimbursement, the Master Guns has provided this service at no cost.

Master Gunnery Sergeant Taylor continues to serve the Association by constantly updating our website with links to many Military Organizations. Master Gunnery Sergeant Taylor is the epitome of a dedicated Marine and richly deserves to be included in the MPMA Hall of Fame.

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