

MARINE AVIATOR OF THE YEAR



THE ALFRED A. CUNNINGHAM AWARD

Presented by THE MARINE CORPS AVIATION ASSOCIATION to

Established in Memory of
Alfred A. Cunningham,
the First Marine Aviator,
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the First Marine Aviation Force
Veterans Association.

In Recognition of
The Most Outstanding
Contribution Made to Marine Aviation,
Whether in Combat, Research and
Development, Weapons Employment,
or to Overall Marine Aviation, by an
Individual in Marine Aviation.



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2010	Captain Henry J. Hortenstine	1985	Capt Michael C. Albo
2009	Maj Scott W. Wadle	1984	Col Laurence R. Medlin
2008	Capt William G. Heiken	1983	LtCol William G. Barnes Jr.
2007	Maj C. W. Hasle	1982	Maj Bruce B. Knutson Jr.
2006	Maj Ricardo Martinez	1981	LtCol Alfred J. Allega
2005	Capt G. J. Pawson	1980	Maj T. David Seder
2004	Capt Matthew C. Shortal	1979	Maj Mike D. Ryan
2003	Capt Scott D. Schoeman	1978	Col Walter R. Ledbetter
2002	Capt J.M. Holtermann	1977	Col Harvey D. Bradshaw
2001	LtCol Steven W. Busby	1976	Maj R. H. Brinkley
2000	LtCol Andrew W. O'Donnell, Jr.	1975	LtCol James L. Bolton
1999	Maj Michael L. Lawrence	1974	LtCol Michael P. Sullivan
1998	Captain Kevin J. Wolfe	1973	Maj Howard L. DeCastro
1997	Maj John Robert Parker	1972	Maj Lee T. Lasseter
1996	Capt Robert J. Charette, Jr.	1971	Maj David G. Vest
1995	LtCol Wallace G. Duncan, Jr.	1970	Capt John J. Barrett
1994	LtCol Martin D. Peatross	1969	LtCol Paul W. Niesen
1993	Capt Mark A. Dungan	1968	Maj David L. Althoff
1992	LtCol Daniel A. Driscoll, Jr.	1967	Maj Vincent J. Guinee Jr.
1991	LtCol Michael M. Kurth	1966	LtCol Charles H. Ludden
1990	LtCol John G. Castellaw	1965	Capt Raymond R. Powell
1989	LtCol Robert J. Garner	1964	LtCol Thomas J. Ross
1988	LtCol Larry D. Outlaw	1963	Col Michael R. Yunck
1987	LtCol Stephen D. Haley	1962	LtCol John H. Glenn Jr.
1986	Maj Ivan M. Behel		

CAPTAIN
GREGORY J. YOUNGBERG



Award Citation

Captain Gregory J. Youngberg expertly performed his duties while serving as Weapons and Tactics Instructor for HMLA-367 from January 2010 to December 2010, ensuring the precise execution of over 180 Air Tasking Order Cycles involving combat tasking for up to ten H-1 helicopter sections, supporting ground combat units in a 24,525 square mile area. As the squadron liaison to MAG-40 for the heliborne assault into Marjah, Afghanistan, he intricately planned all aspects of the helicopter escort and close air support plans, safely integrating 41 aircraft from MAG-40 and the 82nd Combat Aviation Brigade to insert over 900 Marines and Afghan partners under low light conditions. His development of the Scarface Tactics Academy has set the standard for fleet aviation education and is now being taught by Marine Aviation Weapons and Tactics Squadron One to all H-1 squadrons. His meticulous attention to detail, skillful airmanship, and total dedication to duty reflected great credit upon him and were in keeping with the highest traditions of Marine Corps aviation.



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