

MARINE TILTROTOR SQUADRON OF THE YEAR



THE FRED McCORKLE AWARD

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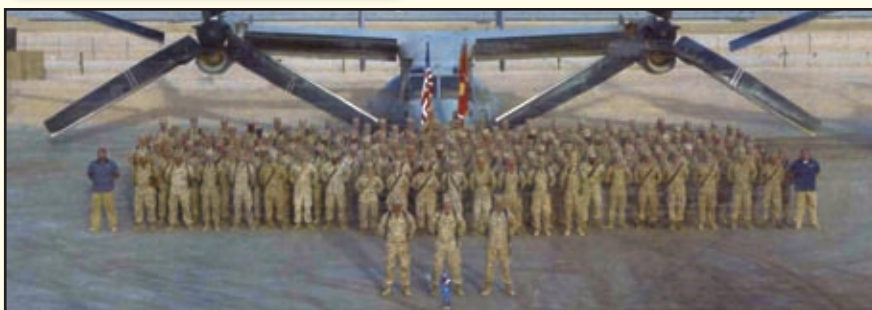
Established in Honor of
LtGen Fred McCorkle, Whose
Leadership and Dedication Contributed
to the Success of the V-22 Program.

In Recognition of
The Most Outstanding Tiltrotor Squadron
in Marine Aviation.



BELL BOEING TEAM

VMM-365



Award Citation

VMM-365 provided meritorious service in support of II Marine Expeditionary Force, the International Security Assistance Force Afghanistan, and I Marine Expeditionary Force (Forward) from 1 January 2010 to 31 December 2010. During this period, the Blue Knights traversed the globe from the woods of North Carolina, to the deserts of Yuma, Arizona, and Twentynine Palms, California, to the mountains and sands of Southern Afghanistan. This year saw the Blue Knights transformed, in record time, from a fledgling tiltrotor unit to an experienced, combat-seasoned squadron.

During their time in Afghanistan, they provided direct support to over a dozen named operations and flew 4109 general support sorties; by the end of the calendar year, they had cumulatively transported 22,528 passengers, 1,127,469 pounds of cargo, and had logged a total of 2976.1 flight hours, 2027.8 of those in combat. Through relentless dedication to their duty and unmatched professionalism under the harshest conditions, the Blue Knights proved true to their motto, "Second to None." VMM-365 reflected great credit upon themselves and upheld the highest traditions of Marine Corps aviation.



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2010 VMM-261
2009 VMM-266
2008 VMM-263