



## U.S. Marine Corps Memorial Golden, Colorado

This ceremony honors all services with grateful appreciate for the service of those who have served or are serving!

John 15:13 Greater love hath no man than this, that a man lay down his life for his friends.

### **The Marine Memorial Association Officers:**

President, Tom Krueger - - MarineMemorial@comcast.net  
Immediate Past President, Paula Sarlls  
Vice President, Mark Eckhout  
Treasurer, David Bernard  
Secretary, Mary Eckhout

Flyover by Rocky Mountain Renegades  
Wreath provided by the Women Marines Association CO-1  
Chairs provided by VFW Post 4171 and All Veterans Riding Club

Please visit our website to view the envisioned remodel of the US Marine Corps Memorial. We have formed the USMC Memorial Foundation to raise funds for the remodel and ask that you donate as you are able toward this effort at

[www.USMCMemorialFoundation.org](http://www.USMCMemorialFoundation.org)

and to view info on the current memorial and to donate to the maintenance and flag program which is always needed go to

[www.usmarinecorpsmemorial.com](http://www.usmarinecorpsmemorial.com)

**Major Mark Saville, Commanding Officer, Recruiting Station Denver will preside over a swearing in ceremony of new Marines prior to the event**

Poem reading by VA Arts Champion – Dean Glorso, USMC Vietnam Veteran



***Golden's first Community  
Landmark approved by the  
Golden City Council***



**Dedicated in 1977**

**U.S. Marine Corps Commandant Louis H. Wilson Jr. dedicated the memorial to Marines of all eras, especially those who gave the ultimate sacrifice in defense of our nation's freedom.**

**Sergeant Major Paul G. McKenna**  
**Command Senior Enlisted Leader for Headquarters**  
**North American Aerospace Defense Command and**  
**United States Northern Command, Peterson Air Force Base**

He is the principal advisor to the Commander on all enlisted matters. His responsibilities include providing the Commander with the enlisted perspective on strategic vision, goals, objectives, theater security cooperation, and enlisted professional development. Additionally, he is responsible for mentoring Senior Enlisted Leaders throughout the Component Commands and JTF's as well as coordinating with Headquarters Staff Agencies, Commanders, and Senior Enlisted Personnel on matters pertaining to the command's mission, vision, core values, commander's intent, enlisted utilization and implementation of command policy.

Sergeant Major McKenna is a native of Trenton, NJ., where he enlisted in the Marine Corps on 18 March 1986.

**ASSIGNMENTS IN THE OPERATING FORCES INCLUDE:** MWSS 373, 3D MAW, MCAS El Toro CA; MP Company, 1st Marine Division, Camp Pendleton, CA; 1st Battalion, 6th Marines, 2nd Marine Division, Camp Lejeune, NC; Combat Assault Battalion, 3d Marine Division, Okinawa, Japan; Headquarters Battalion, 3d Marine Division, Okinawa, Japan; 3d Marine Regiment, 3d Marine Division, Kaneohe Bay, Hawaii. CE 3d Marine Division, Okinawa, Japan. U.S. Marine Corps Forces, Pacific, Camp Smith, Hawaii.

**COMBAT HISTORY:** CSSG-11, 11th MEU/SOC Feb 92 – Jun 93 Operation Restore Hope (Somalia), BLT 1/6 22nd MEU/SOC Dec 03 – Oct 04 Operation Enduring Freedom (Southern, Afghanistan) & Operation Iraqi Freedom (Kuwait), 3d MarDiv, RCAC/ETT 4-1 Aug 06 – Aug 07 Operation Enduring Freedom (Eastern, Afghanistan), SPMAGTF-A/RCT-3 Oct 08 - Sep 09 Operation Enduring Freedom (Southern, Afghanistan).

**ASSIGNMENTS IN THE SUPPORTING ESTABLISHMENTS INCLUDE:** Guard Duty, Naval Command Center, Pentagon; HRST Instructor, Division Schools, 3d Marine Division, Okinawa, Japan; Drill Instructor, MCRD, San Diego, CA; Instructor, Officer Candidate School, Quantico VA; Platoon Commander/Security department and NCOIC Anacostia Alert Facility, HMX-1 as well as the Guard Chief at The Presidential retreat Camp David during POTUS visits.

**MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS**

Legion of Merit w/ two gold stars  
Bronze Star w/ one gold star  
Meritorious Service Medal w/ one gold star  
Navy Commendation Medal w/ three gold stars & two combat distinguishing devices  
Navy Achievement Medal w/ three gold stars  
Combat Action w/ one gold star  
Presidential Service Badge

**PRESENT THE COLORS**

1<sup>st</sup> Colorado Regiment, Young Marines

Going Home - Bagpipes – Ken Giese

Going Home is a famous tune played on the bagpipes at both military and civilian funerals. The tune signifies exactly what the title says - That no matter where in the world you die, you always go home to your birth country - Scotland.

**NATIONAL ANTHEM**

**POST THE COLORS**

**INVOCATION** – Mark Eckhout, Windsor Marines Detachment, MCL

**WELCOME** - Marine Memorial Association President, Tom Krueger

**GUEST SPEAKER**

**Sergeant Major Paul G. McKenna**



**SPECIAL HONORS PRESENTED**

**RENDER THE HONORS RIFLE SALUTE**

Union Colony Marines Detachment, Marine Corps League

**TAPS**  
CLB 453-Buckley AFB

**AMAZING GRACE**  
Ken Giese

**DOVE RELEASE**  
Memory Chain Doves

**BENEDICTION**

**RETIRE THE COLORS/MARINE CORPS HYMN**

**ANNOUNCEMENTS**