

BAKER COUNTY VETERANS SERVICES



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Ref: Charles Benjamin "Chuck" Mawhinney

SUBJECT: Senate Concurrent Resolution 28

I first met Charles on March 21, 2018 and brought him under the supervision and Power of Attorney of the Oregon Department of Veteran Affairs (ODVA). Charles enlisted with the US Marine Corps on October 19, 1969 and stationed at Camp Pendleton at the time of his separation on August 6, 1970.

Charles separated from the service with the rank of Sergeant/E5 but at the rank of Lance Corporal Charles was recognized with one of the highest awards for his accomplishments. The Bronze Star Medal. The Citation signed by H.W. Buse, R., Lieutenant General, U.S. Marine Corps Commanding General, Fleet Marine Force, Pacific. It States:

"The President of United States takes pleasure in presenting the BRONZE STAR MEDAL to Lance Corporal Charles B. Mawhinney, United States Marine Corps.Lance Corporal Mawhinney's initiative, superb professionalism and unwavering devotion to duty were in keeping with the highest traditions of the Marine Corps and of the United States Naval Service."

At the time of his death Charles was 100% VA service connected. I strongly support SCR 28.

Thanks for supporting Charles and his family.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Rick Gloria".

Rick Gloria
Baker County
Veteran Service Officer