Certificate of Selection This is to certify that James M. Dunnavant has been selected to the Hall of Honor





CMA Alumni Association

James Mattieson Dunnavant transferred to Columbia Military Academy from the Robert Jones High School in his native Lynnville, Tennessee, pursuing educational opportunities required for his career ambitions, but not available in the Giles County public schools. He quickly settled into the rigors of the CMA schedule, and thrived on them. He displayed good aptitude in academic subjects, especially enjoying Spanish, and became a valued member of the Rifle Team.

After attending CMA for two years and graduating in 1968, Jimmy entered military service in the United States Army, achieving the rank of Warrant Officer 1, and training as a UH-1C "HUEY" pilot. He was ultimately assigned to the 176th Aviation Company, 14th Aviation Battalion, 16th Aviation Group, American Division USARV.

He again demonstrated his skill at the weapons range, qualifying as an Expert with the automatic rifle and Marksman with his sidearm. Jimmy was assigned to duty in Vietnam and during his tour there he ear ned the Bronze Star three times, the Army Commendation Medal, the National Defense Service Medal, the Republic of Vietnam Campaign Medal, and the Air Medal.

Warrant Officer Dunnavant recognized the importance of his work to the success of the Vietnam Campaign, earning the trust of his superiors, his peers and his crew during many flights, and maintained his professional demeanor to the very end of the mission where he lost his life.

By his dedication to the ideals of Duty, Honor, and Loyalty through the last moments of his life, James M. Dunnavant distinguished himself in a manner worthy of induction into the Columbia Military Academy Alumni Association Hall of Honor.

Done this Fourth Day of August Year Two Thousand and Twelve

Chairman, Hall of Honor Committee