

“HOWLIN MAD” SMITH DETACHMENT 592

BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA

MARINE CORPS LEAGUE MINUTES

5-23-26

Abbreviated meeting annual picnic.

Call to Order

The ceremony was opened by pledge of allegiance followed by the singing of the Marines' Hymn.

Sign in roster was provided-18 members signed roster.

Gold Star Families in attendance: The Winslow family.

Southeast Division Chaplain John E. Burks was recognized and said prayer to open meeting.

New Business

Mike Ryan made a motion to amend motion from last meeting—change \$1,000 to 4,000. Discussion was made about the motion: 4 March 1968 PFC Pendergrass was killed in action in Vietnam. He was interred at Walker Chapel Cemetery. Over the years the cemetery has been left unattended and significantly deteriorated. The widow of PFC Pendergrass started the process to re-inter PFC Pendergrass to the Alabama National Cemetery in Montevallo. in March of 2026 this was accomplished. The \$4,000 will be given to Widow Pendergrass to help with the \$7,000 expenses she has incurred. We will then submit paperwork to the TAG fund for reimbursement for the unit to get \$4,000 back.

Motion by Tyler Nabors to accept this amendment; 2nd by Wiley Monteanarao; motion passed unanimously.

John Hilmer presented an award given to the Marine Hospital Visitation Team at the VA. The team has been serving the Veterans for over 35 years and accumulated over 40,000 volunteer hours with Voluntary Service at the Birmingham VA Hospital. The award was presented to Commandant Joyner. A picture was taken.

Passing of George Thompson, Vietnam Veteran, he has been very sick and unable to attend meetings for about 10 years.

A donation check for \$2,000 for the Scholarship Fund was presented to Commandant Joyner.

Wiley Monteabaro gave an update on the 12th Annual Golf tournament. It will be Wednesday 21 October 2026 at Bent Brook Golf Course. Applications for players and sponsorships are now available.

Chaplain Burks blessed the food.

The meeting was adjourned by Commandant Janna Joyner.

Respectfully Submitted

Vickie W. Gavin

Adjutant