



**Missouri State Society  
Daughters of the American Revolution**



**Patriot of the Month, September 2007  
Major Marianne Lumsden USAF**

As a freshman at Southeast Missouri State University, Marianne qualified for a 3 ½ year ROTC Scholarship. She received her commission in the US Air Force in May 1989. She earned her Master's Degree from the University of Southern California in May 1997 while stationed at Edwards AFB in California. She serves as a communications officer. She has been deployed to locations such as Aviano Air Base, Italy, during the air war over Serbia in 1999, to Naval Support Activity, Bahrain, during the Gulf War in 2003, and twice to the Multi-National Forces in Baghdad, Iraq. In addition, she has seen service in Massachusetts, Germany, Turkey, and Washington, D.C. She has led efforts to provide reliable communications for the Department of Defense at tactical and strategic levels worldwide.

Major Lumsden has received the following honors/citations:  
Defense Meritorious Service Medal—2  
Meritorious Service Medal  
Air Force Commendation Medal—3

Air force Achievement Medal—2  
Joint Meritorious Unit Award—4  
AF Organizational Excellence Award—2  
National Defense Service Medal  
Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal  
Iraq Campaign Ribbon  
Global War on Terrorism Expeditionary Medal  
Global War on Terrorism Service Medal  
Armed Forced Service Medal  
Air & Space Campaign Medal  
AF Overseas Ribbon Short  
AF Overseas Ribbon Long  
Air Force Expeditionary Service with Gold Border—2  
AF Longevity Service—3  
Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon (Pistol)  
AF Training Ribbon  
NATO Medal

Major Lumsden is currently assigned to the Coalition Air Force Transition Team in the Multi-National Security Transition Command—Iraq, where she advises the Iraqi Air Force Communications director.

Marianne is a direct descendent of Revolutionary War soldiers Joseph McCorkle of Ohio, and George Lumsden, a Captain in the Virginia Militia. She is a member of Emily Nelson Chapter NSDAR in Washington, DC, and an associate member of King's Highway Chapter NSDAR in Sikeston, MO

Marianne's mother, Rosemary, and the members of King's Highway Chapter are proud to nominate Marianne Lumsden for Patriot of the Month.