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.