

Veteran of the Month June 2009

Congratulations to Thomas E. Drumm!



In partnership with the Veterans Coordination Commission, we are pleased to present the June, 2009 Veteran of the Month Recognition to Thomas E. Drumm.

Thomas Drumm enlisted in the United States Air Force in January, 1982 and trained in the Security Police field where he remained his entire Air Force career. Tom was assigned to various Air Force bases in the United States and overseas including Turkey in support of Operation Desert Shield.

During Tom's military career he received many awards and accomplishments. Tom completed the NCO Leadership School, NCO Professional Military Academy, and Senior NCO Academy. Master Sergeant Drumm's award and decorations include: Meritorious Service Medal, AF Commendation medal w/1 OLC, AF Achievement medal w/2 OLC, AF Outstanding Unit Award w/1 Silver OLC, AF Good Conduct Medal w/1 Silver & 1 Bronze OLC, National Defense Service Medal w/1 Bronze Star, Southwest Asia Service Medal w/1 Bronze Star, AF Overseas Short Term Ribbon, AF Longevity Service Award w/4 OLC, NCO Professional Military Education Ribbon w/1 OLC, Small Arms Expert Marksmanship Ribbon, and AF Training Ribbon. Tom also received the AF Security Force Master Badge.

Master Sergeant Drumm served a distinguished and rewarding career in the United States Air Force. He is presently employed as director of a retirement/assisted living facility in Rapid City. He received a Community College of the Air Force Associate Degree in Industrial Security and is certified as a Level Two National Administrator for Assisted Living Facilities. He has numerous college hours towards his degree and will finish soon.

Tom and his wife Mary, have two sons Chad and Brandon. He is a current member of the Retired Enlisted Association and an active member of TREA's Honor Guard. Additionally, Tom is a member of the American Legion Post 6 of Cheyenne, Wyoming and a member of the American Legion Riders Motorcycle Club. He serves as an Ambassador for the Rapid City Chamber of Commerce. Tom's compassion and caring of his fellow man and veterans goes beyond caring. He is dedicated to the profession that he has chosen because of his concern and desire to help out in any capacity when called upon to do so. Tom enthusiastically supports and participates in military and civil affairs that affect his community.