



## **Trinity Nelson**

### **U.S. Marine Corps Gunnery Sergeant (Ret).**

Gunnery Sergeant Trinity R. Nelson (USMC), Ret is a native of Bowie, Maryland. She graduated from Bowie High School in 1999. She enlisted in the Marine Corps in May 2000 and attended recruit training at Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, South Carolina. She graduated from 4<sup>th</sup> Battalion, November Company, Series 4024, Platoon 4025.

GySgt Nelson served during the Global War of Terrorism era. Her Military Occupational Skill (MOS) was 5831, Corrections Specialist. This MOS entailed in-taking, supervising, and releasing military prisoners from all branches and ranks of every service. Her duty stations include Marine Corps Base, Camp Hanson, Okinawa, Japan; Naval Consolidated Brig (NAVCONBRIG) Charleston, South Carolina; Marine Corps Recruit Depot, Parris Island, South Carolina, 4<sup>th</sup> Battalion, Papa Company; Marine Corps Base, Camp Pendleton, California, Base Brig; and Headquarters Marine Corps, PSL Corrections, Arlington, Virginia.

GySgt Nelson was the recipient of the Corrections Specialist of the Year Award in 2011. It was awarded by Marine Corps Corrections Headquarters and the Military Corrections Committee, recognizing her superior performance of duties at this command and those contributions made to the DOD Corrections Program as a whole; above all other Corrections Specialists Marines billeted at all Marine Corps Brigs.

GySgt Nelson was medically retired from the Marine Corps in February 2015 after 14 ½ years of service. GySgt Nelson's personal decorations include Navy Commendation Medals x 3, Navy and Marine Corps Achievement Medals x 2.

GySgt Nelson is widowed. Her husband Chief Warrant Officer 2 Jody R. Nelson (USMC), Ret passed away in March 2015 from Neuroendocrine Small Cell Carcinoma. They had one son, Caleb Nelson (8 years old) together. GySgt Nelson and her son currently live in Damascus, Maryland.

Pictured above is GySgt Nelson with her service dog York, whom she received from [Hero Dogs](#).