

GYSGT. SHELLY STOKLEY



Early in 2000 several Marine Disbursers and their spouses were having lunch at a local "Tun Tavern" and came up with an idea of having a reunion of Marine Disbursers. They moved ahead with their idea and the very first reunion of Disbursers took place in Branson, Missouri in 2001. It was decided that this was such a good idea that reunions took place again in 2002 and 2003. At the 2003 reunion the attendees decided that a reunion should be planned for every other year rather than annually. The attendees also agreed to establish an Association and elect officers. One of the Marines present at that early 2000 lunch was GySgt. Shelly Stokley. Some of you may have known her as Shelly Pawloski. Shelly worked tirelessly in support of the Association. She gave not only her time but contributed generously financially to insure the success of the Association. Shelly was elected the first president of the Association in 2003 and served until 2009. Under her leadership, the Association established formal Articles of Association and was recognized as a non-profit veterans organization under the U.S. Treasury Code 501(c)(19). In February 2012 GySgt Shelly Stokley passed away.

In 2005 an Educational Assistance Program was established by the Association. At our 2013 biennial Association meeting and reunion, the membership decided to honor our first president by naming our Education Assistance Program Fund the "Shelly Stokley Memorial Scholarship Fund."