

## The Commandant

"The Commandment" of the Northeast Alabama detachment of the Marine Corps League is Howard's new assignment. In the picture to the right, he and Dorothy are attending the regional conference in Gatlinburg.

In the months to come, he will be representing the "McLaughlin" detachment at the state convention in Dothan (AL), and will also be awarding a scholarship at Marion Military Institute in southwest Alabama.

The Marine League participates in numerous activities to include the described meetings as well as charitable causes such as *Toys for Tots* and specially-equipped tri-cycles for handicapped children.

In this leadership role, Howard expects to grow the league through increased and targeted advertising and community awareness. Besides the opportunity to carry-on the mantle of "Once a Marine...always a Marine", is the described services to selected charities and the disabled.



Other detachments have served in auxiliaries to welcome-home active military arriving stateside. Though logistics may present an obstacle, "McLaughlin" may find the opportunity to support this worthy cause as well.