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Local Dentist Inducted into Ohio Military Hall of Fame

Robert E. Hamilton, DDS recognized for heroic actions while serving in Vietnam

(Cincinnati, Ohio, April 29, 2016) – Dr. Robert E. Hamilton, former First Lieutenant and two-time Distinguished Flying Cross recipient, will be inducted into the Ohio Military Hall of Fame today, April 29, 2016. Dr. Hamilton is being recognized for his “heroism and extraordinary achievement in aerial flight” while serving as a pilot in Vietnam.

The Ohio Military Hall of Fame honors Ohio veterans who received medals for valor while serving in the U.S. Armed Forces. The selected honorees are inducted into the hall of fame at the annual induction ceremony held at the Ohio Statehouse in Columbus.

In March of 1971, First Lieutenant Hamilton supported the emergency extraction of a Marine reconnaissance team under intense rocket-propelled grenade and automatic weapons fire. Undaunted, he safely maneuvered his aircraft in the darkness, over the rugged terrain to extract the team.

From the Ohio Military Hall of Fame:

“First Lieutenant Hamilton’s courage, superior airmanship, and unwavering devotion to duty in the face of great personal danger were instrumental in accomplishing the hazardous mission and were in keeping with the highest traditions of the Marine Corps and of the United States Naval Service.”

During his military flying career, Dr. Hamilton received numerous accolades and survived being shot down. He was awarded a total of 50 Air Medals for meritorious achievement while participating in aerial flight and a Navy Achievement Medal with Combat "V."

Dr. Hamilton is an oral and maxillofacial surgeon in Cincinnati. He also serves as vice chairman on the Board of Directors of The Dental Care Plus Group. He currently resides in North Bend, Ohio.

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