

Happy Birthday, Marine.



First Uniform of the Continental Marines
November 10, 1775

November 10, 2006

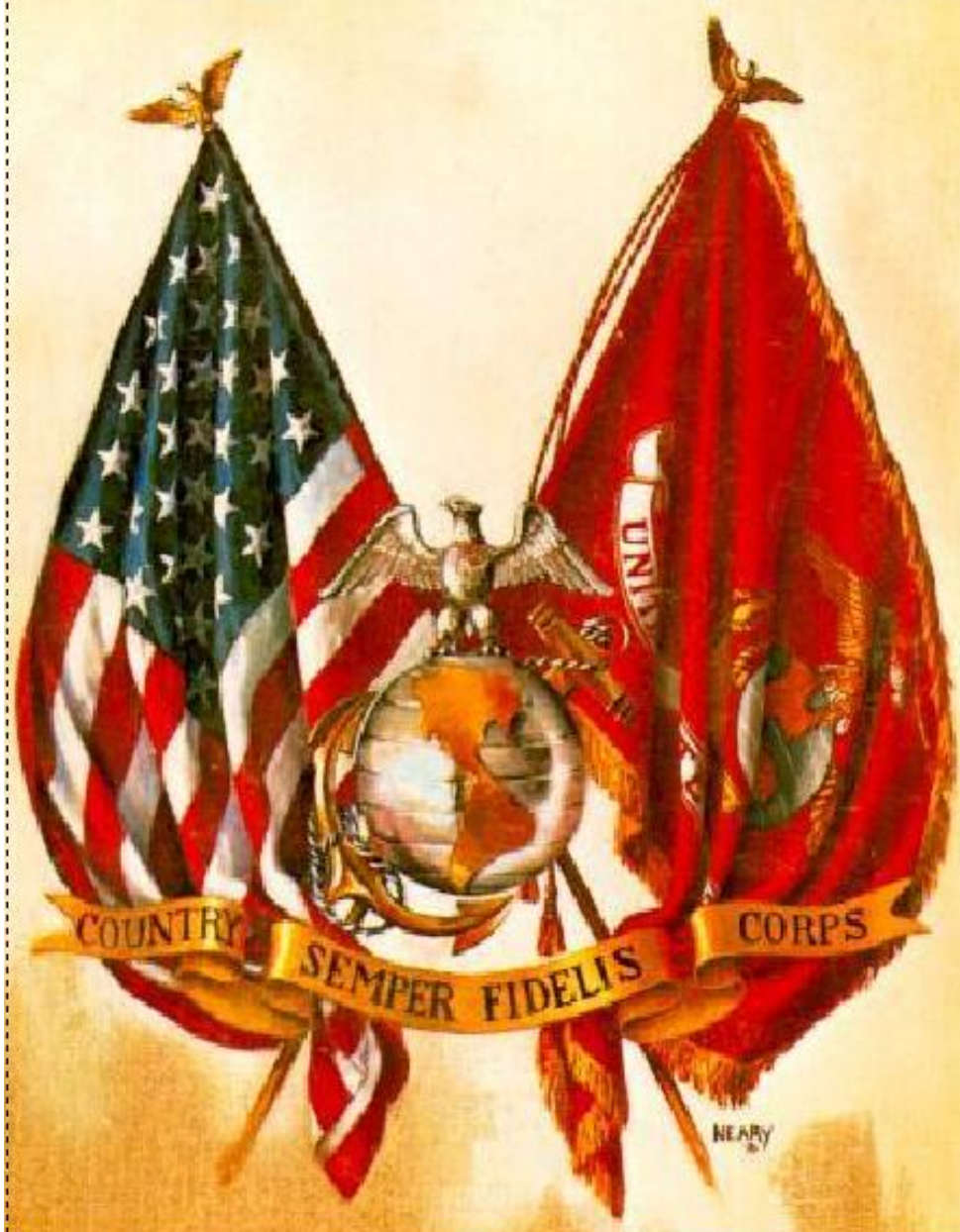
Birthday greetings, Marine,

As we begin this 231st year of our United States Marine Corps, I continue to pray that all is going well for you and yours. It is also my sincerest wish that we all will enjoy many more pleasant and rewarding years, together, in celebration of the rich and meaningful history and traditions of our Corps.

This tribute would not be complete without a heartfelt salute and prayer for all of our brothers, who are presently in harm's way, and to our fallen comrades-in-arms, whose ultimate sacrifice makes it possible for all of us, as Americans, to continue to enjoy our precious freedom. They are sorely missed, and remain in our hearts with our highest esteem. I trust that their spirit also will be with us tonight, as we tip our glasses to toast our Country, our Corps, and all of our comrades. With my warmest regards, "Here's health to you and to our Corps".....Semper Fi !

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"IF THE ARMY AND THE NAVY
EVER LOOK ON HEAVEN'S SCENES



THEY WILL FIND THE STREETS ARE GUARDED BY
UNITED STATES MARINES"