

## **Kings Bay Marine Barracks Named To Honor Hero** *Cpl. Jason Dunham Died Saving Fellow Marines*

**KINGS BAY, Ga.** -- Friends and family of a U.S. Marine who gave his life in Iraq to save others was remembered on Friday as the Marine barracks at Naval Submarine Base Kings Bay were named in his honor.

The Marine Corps Security Force Company's living quarters at the submarine base will forever be known as the Cpl. Jason Dunham Barracks. It is the first in a pair of dedications for the 22-year-old military hero, as the U.S. Navy also plans to name a ship in his honor.

Dunham, who was awarded the Medal of Honor by President George W. Bush earlier this year, was described in the ceremony as a Marine hero for not only today's era, but the future as well.

"Cpl. Dunham will be a Marine leadership example to be emulated by future generations of Marines and sailors," said Lt. Col. Andrew Murray.

"Jason knew that his mission was to stop the insurgents, and it was also to take care of his Marines," said Gen. Robert Magnus, assistant commandant of the Marine Corps. "In a split second that many think was a thoughtless action, it was an instant decision of what to do ... he threw himself on his helmet on that grenade to protect his two Marines."

Dunham's parents attended the solemn ceremony.

When asked what they learned from their son, his mother said: "Kindness -- to put other people first always."

For more information about Dunham or to donate to his memorial fund, log onto [JasonsMemorial.org](http://JasonsMemorial.org).