## HAPCOA AGUILA AWARDS NOMINATION FORM

## CATEGORY:

MERITORIOUS SERVICE SILVER MEDALLION

NAME/TITLE OF NOMINEE: KENNETH GARY VANN

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Sgt. Kenneth Gary Vann, Sr., of the Bexar County Sheriff's Office, was killed in the line of duty in the early morning of Saturday, May 28, 2011, when he was cowardly ambushed in his marked patrol unit while stopped at a traffic light. Sgt. Vann began his service with the Sheriff's Office in 1985 in the Detention Division, transferred to Law Enforcement where he served as a Patrolman, then as a Traffic Enforcement Officer and later transferred to Court Security. He was then promoted to Investigator; and promoted to the rank of Sergeant in the Patrol Division. Kenneth was also a Supervisor and member of the Bexar County Sheriff's Office Dive Team. He proudly served the citizens of Bexar County for more than 26 years. Kenneth was also a Veteran having served in the U. S. Marine Corps in Operation Desert Storm. Kenneth dedicated his life to serving the citizens of Bexar County and the United States. Kenneth was an exemplary citizen and role model for his family, friends, and the officers with whom he worked alongside and supervised and whose safety was always of utmost importance to him. Sgt. Kenneth Gary Vann was an honorable man who was proud to serve and he was murdered because he was a symbol and a representative of law enforcement.