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Enterprise Sailor selected as Military Citizen of the Year by Hampton Roads Chamber of Commerce

NORFOLK, VA (NRMA) – Petty Officer 2nd Class Breanna Coleman from Covington, Ga. was selected as Hampton Roads Chamber of Commerce’s Samuel T. Northern Military Citizen of the Year for 2016.

Coleman is an aircraft handler serving aboard USS Enterprise (CVN 65) in Newport News, Va. She is part of the ship’s decommissioning crew. Coleman earned the award for her community service and volunteer work at: the Foodbank of Southeastern Virginia and the Eastern Shore, Little Creek Athletic Association, Inc. Mission Continues 1st Platoon, and Brides Against Breast Cancer. Coleman volunteered more than 500 hours of her personal time helping these organizations.

“This award means a lot. I’m just giving back the blessings that I receive. I was always taught to give back and I teach those same fundamentals and values to my son.”

The award is given annually to recognize the military citizen who has made the most significant contribution in the area of community service. Each year, commands based throughout Hampton Roads are asked to nominate individuals (E-6 and below) for this honor. Members of the Hampton Roads Chamber of Commerce Armed Forces Committee then select the winner based upon their full active and sustained participation in activities that benefit the community. Nominees are involved in everything from coaching Little League teams, youth mentoring, fundraising, emergency medical services, and much more community programs.

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