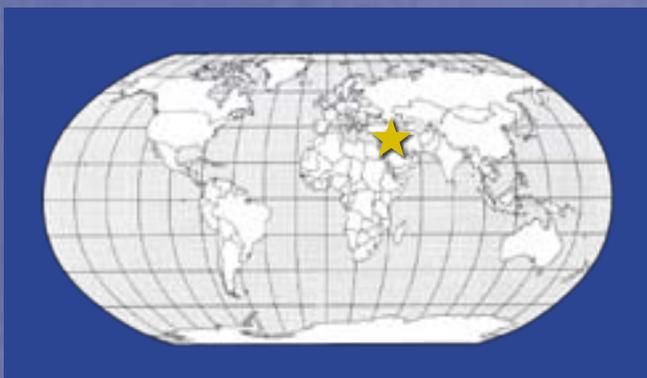




Scott D. Genovese

Captain
Class of 1979



**The President of the United States takes pleasure in presenting
the Bronze Star Medal to
Captain Scott D. Genovese
UNITED STATES COAST GUARD**

For service as set forth in the following citation:

For meritorious achievement in connection with combat operations as Commanding Officer, USCGC BOUTWELL (WHEC 719) deployed with Commander, United States FIFTH Fleet from February to May 2003 in support of Operation IRAQI FREEDOM. Captain Genovese flawlessly led the crew of BOUTWELL during combat operations within the territorial waters of Iraq. Through tactical brilliance, BOUTWELL represented the first line of defense for the largest amphibious task force assembled since the Korean Conflict against the asymmetric and anti-ship cruise missile threat. He displayed extraordinary determination and bravery conducting maritime interception operations to enforce United Nations sanctions while maintaining a naval presence in Iraqi waters throughout combat operations. He dispatched his boarding teams to control steel hull and cargo dhows exiting the Shat al Arab, demonstrating coalition resolve in the North Arabian Gulf. In addition, he exhibited poise and leadership providing sea security in the vicinity of Iraqi oil terminals following their capture by coalition forces while simultaneously deescalating tensions along the Iranian border. His maintenance of a well-trained, truly professional crew directly contributed to the successful liberation of Iraq. Captain Genovese's total effectiveness, forceful leadership, and loyal devotion to duty reflected great credit upon him and upheld the highest traditions of the Coast Guard and the United States Naval Service.

Captain Genovese will retire in 2009 after 30 years of service.
