

## **JAMES V. ROONEY - *Class of 1996***

Detective James V. Rooney has embarked on a life-long journey of service that includes a tour of duty in the United States Marine Corps and a an 18-year career in law enforcement with New York Police Department. His current assignment is with the Criminal Enterprise Investigations Section, where he is a Task Force Officer, assigned with the NYPD's federal partners.

Shortly after completing the School of Infantry in 1996, Rooney was selected to join the United States Marine Corps honor guard located at the Marines Oldest Post (1801), Marine Barracks 8<sup>th</sup> & I, Washington D.C. He was ordered to report to A Company, 2<sup>nd</sup> platoon, where Rooney trained and participated in multiple events, parades and ceremonies within the Washington Capital Region.

He was promoted to Lance Corporal and was hand selected to join the United States Marine Corps Silent Drill Platoon, traveling throughout the United States, Canada, Cuba and Europe performing this unique drill, representing all 175,000 Marines.

In late 1999, Corporal Rooney was selected by his Commanding Officer to represent the United States Marine Corps at The White House. He was assigned to one of this nation's most prestigious military post, The White House Military Office, West Wing sentry. Corporal Rooney served honorably under two Presidents, President William J. Clinton and George W. Bush. Upon completion of his White House assignment, he earned the (PSB) Presidential Service Badge. In 2001 Corporal Rooney completed his military service.

After completing his military service, Rooney returned to the Midwest to attend college. On the morning of September 11, 2001, he was once again called to serve. In June of 2006, Rooney entered the NYPD police academy. Police Officer Rooney's first assignment was the 44<sup>th</sup> precinct located in the Highbridge neighborhood of the South Bronx.

Rooney was transferred to the elite Organized Crime Control Bureau in 2012, where he was assigned to the Gang Division, Manhattan North. He was recognized for his hard work and dedication and was awarded one of the most coveted shields in policing, the NYPD Detective, gold shield.

Rooney has also spent time in the Office of Crime Control Strategies, Chief of Detectives staff, and later to the NYPD Commissioners office. He was promoted to Detective 2<sup>nd</sup> grade and then to one of the most respected ranks in the NYPD, Detective, 1<sup>st</sup> grade.