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Valerie Cunningham

is being posthumously inducted into the Defense Logistics Agency Troop Support Hall of Fame this third day of November 2010 for her continuous outstanding mission support from 1973 through 2008. Throughout her illustrious career, Ms. Cunningham has truly distinguished herself as an effective and gifted leader. The contributions that she made during her 35 years of service to Troop Support and the Defense Logistics Agency have been many and significant. While providing safe reasonably-priced higher quality commercial products and operational rations to the warfighter, she positioned the Subsistence quality audit programs for success into the future. During the last several years of her career, Ms. Cunningham's leadership style guided the Subsistence organization from a single supply chain into two separate directorates -- supplier operations and customer operations. She was able to bring all levels of the organization to work together to accomplish this massive undertaking. She empowered her subordinates to make decisions, share experiences and gain insights, providing them the opportunity to develop to their full potential. Ms. Cunningham was the consummate professional. Her ability to lead was one her greatest attributes and fostered an environment of trust and cooperation. She was the one from which employees, supervisors and managers sought advice and leadership. A great example of this was the Positive Leadership Award, her most treasured honor, given to her by her employees. She has left a legacy through the leadership qualities she fostered in many employees still working here today. Ms. Cunningham's dedication to Troop Support and her employees clearly sets her apart from her peers.