



HALL OF FAME CLASS OF 2022

BILL MARTINEZ **MASTER SERGEANT** **FLORIDA HIGHWAY PATROL**

Master Sergeant Bill Martinez is a long-serving member of the Florida Highway Patrol, having served FHP for over 38 years and counting. Master Sergeant Martinez's distinguished career began in 1983, when at the young age of 21, he joined the ranks of the Florida Highway Patrol. He served as a Trooper for several years was promoted to Corporal in the Traffic Homicide Program. Soon after, he promoted to the rank of Sergeant.

He is now the longest serving Sergeant on the Florida Highway Patrol, and is honored with the title "Sergeant of the Patrol." His knowledge and expertise have shaped not only FHP, but many other Florida officers, as he has served on various Florida Department of Law Enforcement Criminal Justice Standards and Training Committees assisting in curriculum development for over 15 years. He has personally trained an entire generation of FHP Troopers as an academy instructor.

Some of Master Sergeant Martinez's many recognitions include Advisory Council Trooper of the Year (2015), Florida Highway Patrol Instructor of the Year (2017), and the State and Provincial Police Academy Directors and International Chiefs of Police Lifetime Achievement Award (2018). His significant impact has greatly contributed to the accomplishments of the Florida Highway Patrol. Master Sergeant Martinez's outstanding professionalism, untiring determination, and steadfast devotion to duty reflect great credit upon himself, the Florida Highway Patrol and the State of Florida.