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VMA-513 “The Flying Nightmares” Set to Stand Down

MARINE CORPS AIR STATION YUMA, Ariz. (July 2, 2013) – Marine Attack Squadron 513 (VMA-513) “Flying Nightmares” will be officially decommissioned at a ceremony here Friday, July 12, 2013 at 9 a.m.

The squadron, formerly Marine Fighter Squadron 513 (VMF-513), originally activated on February 15, 1944 and began their war fighting legacy in the Pacific during World War II.

During the squadron’s 69 years of service, it has valiantly served in every major United States’ conflict, to include World War II, the Korean War, Vietnam War, Operations Desert Shield and Desert Storm and Operations Iraqi Freedom and Enduring Freedom.

The squadron will hold an open house aboard MCAS Yuma featuring AV-8B Harrier II pilots on July 11, 2013 between 2 and 6 p.m. Additionally, there will be a cocktail hour and dinner open to the public at the Sonoran Pueblo on station from 6 to 9 p.m. Those interested in attending can RSVP at the squadron’s official decommissioning website listed below.

Any media interested in attending these events must contact Cpl. Bill Waterstreet at (928) 269-3682 or william.waterstreet@usmc.mil.

For more information please contact the MCAS Yuma Public Affairs Office and read the information on the squadron's official decommissioning website:
<http://www.thelastofthenightmares.com/>

For more information on the squadron please visit:
<http://www.3rdmaw.marines.mil/Units/MAG13/VMA513/History>

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