

## Missouri State Society Daughters of the American Revolution

## Proudly presents the PATRIOT OF THE MONTH



life member of the American Veterans (Am-Vets).

## **Frederick Barnhouse**

Frederick "Augie" Barnhouse is a Veteran of the Army Air Corp. He served from May 1940 to November 1945 in the European and Pacific theaters, as a navigator on a B-17. His numerous combat missions resulted in two 100 percent disabilities. Following his discharge from the service, Mr. Barnhouse entered college, but due to his disability, he dropped out. He completed a government-approved accounting course by correspondence. He was in and out of VA hospitals for many years and is still in the process of rehabilitation. At the age of 40, when he could walk again, he returned to college and graduated from Missouri University, cum laude, and is certified to teach at all levels.

Mr. Barnhouse is very dedicated to and active in the Disabled American Veterans (DAV), having been a member since World War II. He served the Oliver Buehrle Chapter, Jefferson City, MO, as Commander, Adjutant, State Executive Committeeman, and is presently Judge Advocate and compiles the DAV newsletter. He served the Department of Missouri as volunteer Treasurer for sixteen years and is presently Department Chaplain. He has been DAV 15th District Representative and served on the National Finance Committee. He is available at all times to help veterans and their families. Most recently, Mr. Barnhouse was instrumental in his DAV Chapter to finance a grant for a program in the Eldon schools to recruit volunteers to help students who need individual attention with reading, math, and phonics, and to assist teachers. In addition, Mr. Barnhouse is a life member of the American Legion, having been a part of that organization for 59 years and served as commander; a life member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW), compiling and mailing the monthly newsletter for many years; and

When Mr. Barnhouse was elected Mayor of Eldon, MO, the city faced a huge deficit. During his first year, he was able to get the city in the black without cutting services or salaries. During his two terms as Mayor, Eldon became a Five Star City.

During his twenty-five years as Executive Director of Missouri State Bowling Proprietors, he trained adults to teach the proper techniques of bowling to children, and is responsible for bowling being added to the accepted list of athletics in our schools.

Mr. Barnhouse is an avid stamp collector and genealogist. He proved he is a direct descendent of Private John McDaniel, who walked miles to enlist in the army during the American Revolution. Private McDaniel served with George Washington's Army at Valley Forge and endured that bitter winter. Mr. Barnhouse is a member of Descendants of George Washington's Army at Valley Forge. He is also a life member of Sons of the American Revolution and has received their Distinguished Citizen Award.

Mr. Barnhouse's family is no stranger to the Daughters of the American Revolution. His wife, Alpha, has served as State Registrar and State Chaplain; his mother and a sister were members (now deceased); and another sister, daughter, and niece are current members. He has compiled some 23 volumes of genealogical records, all of which are in the DAR National Library in Washington, DC, the DAR State Library at Columbia, Library of Congress, Salt Lake City Library, and many others.

"Augie" and Alpha have been married for 59 years and are the parents of Steve (a disabled Vietnam veteran) and Dianne. The have five grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

August F. Barnhouse is a devoted husband, family man, and a devout Christian. He is a quiet, pleasant, caring, and truly remarkable man

The members of Niangua Chapter MSSDAR are honored to nominate August Frederick Barnhouse as Patriot of the Month.

Beatrice Fanning, Regent

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