## Missouri State Society Daughters of the American Revolution Proudly "Spotlights" our June 2012 Patriot of the Month



Kevin Bruce Butler

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Kevin Bruce Butler entered the U.S. Navy on June 12, 1984 and attended boot camp in Great Lakes, Illinois. After boot camp he attended Hospital Corpsman School in Great Lakes, transferring in May 1985 to Naval Hospital, Millington, Tennessee. In September 1985, he transferred to Naval Hospital, Oakland, California. He attended the Preventive Medical Advanced training January through July 1987. In July 1987 through September 1987, he attended Field Medical Service School at Camp Lejeune, North Carolina.

In October 1987, he was transferred to Okinawa, Japan for one year. In October 1988, he transferred to Camp Lejeune, North Carolina. For eight months during Desert Strom his was assigned to the 4<sup>th</sup> Marine Brigade on the USS Trenton. In July 1991, Kevin was assigned to the Naval Supply Corps School, Athens, Georgia. In August 1995 until February 1998, he was in Keflavik, Iceland at the Naval Hospital. March 1998 until October 2000, Kevin was at the Naval Branch Clinic, Ingleside, Texas. He attended Instructor's School at Great Lakes, Illinois from October through December 2000. December 2000 he transferred to Naval Hospital Corps School as an Instructor. Hospital Corpsman First Class (Fleet Marine Force) Butler remained there until he retired on June 30, 2004.

In addition, Kevin was deployed in 1987 next to the Korean Demilitarized Zone for Operation Bear Hunt. In 1988 in Korea, he was part of Operation Team Spirit. During 1990-1991, he deployed to Fort McCoy, Wisconsin and Barbados, Norway for Cold Weather Training.

Kevin's awards include:

- Navy Commendation w/1 star
- Navy Achievement Medal w/3 stars
- Combat Action Ribbon
- Navy Unit Commendation Ribbon/1 star
- Meritorious Unit Commendation Ribbon w/2 stars
- Good Conduct Medal w/4 bronze stars
- Fleet Marine Force Ribbon
- Southwest Asia Service Medal w/Marine Corps Device w/2 campaign stars
- Korean Defense Service Medal
- Outstanding Volunteer Service Medal
- Artic Service Ribbon
- 2 Navy Overseas Service Ribbons
- Kuwaiti Liberation Medal (Saudi Arabia)
- Kuwaiti Liberation Medal (Emirate of Kuwait))
- 2 Victory Ribbons
- Expert Rifle
- Expert Pistol

Kevin is married to the former Sonya Lynn Moore, who is a registered nurse. They have one son. After retirement, he worked as a Computer Consultant/Technician. He is a member of the Northside Baptist Church, Veterans of Foreign Wars, American Legion and works with the Boys Scouts of America.