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Patriot of the Month



Donal E. Firebaugh

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Soon after high school graduation, Donal E. Firebaugh joined the United States Marines on March 19, 1964. He served in the Infantry in California, Okinawa, and Vietnam. Donal was an Administrative Non Commissioned Officer in Beaufort, South Carolina for sixteen months. He was discharged on March 17, 1967.

On March 22, 1983, Donal joined the National Guard as a Combat Engineer. His duty stations were Fredericktown and Farmington, Missouri. He worked as a full time federal employee for the Guard from 1984 until he retired on January 29, 2005 as a First Sergeant. Duty in the Guard took Donal to Panama, Honduras, Alaska, and Germany.

Donal's awards, medals, and citations include:

- Meritorious Service Medal
- Army Reserve Components Achievement Medal (6)
- Army Achievement Medal (3)
- Recruiting and Retention Ribbon
- Army Commendation Medal (3)
- Humanitarian Service Medal
- State Emergency Duty Ribbon
- Armed Forces Medal (20 years)
- Overseas Training Ribbon
- Missouri Long Service Ribbon (20 years)
- Non Commissioned Officers Professional Development Ribbon (3)
- Marine Corps Good Conduct Medal
- Vietnam Service Medal
- Vietnam Campaign Medal
- Armed Forces Expeditionary Medal
- National Defense Medal
- Marine Corps Meritorious Mast
- Numerous citations for supporting Army National Guard Missions

Upon his retirement from the Guard, he was elected to the office of Madison County Clerk and Election Authority. He is currently serving his second term.

Donal attends St. Michael's Catholic Church and is very civic minded. He is a member and active in the Knights of Columbus, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and the Optimist Club. He has four sons and one grandson.