

## Missouri State Society Daughters of the American Revolution Patriot of the Month December 2013





## **Howard Anderson**

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Howard Anderson was inducted into the United States Navy in November 1943. After boot camp at Farragut, Idaho, he was assigned to Fire Control School at Seattle, Washington. His next assignment was in Adak, the Aleutians then on to the U.S.S. Kimberly, a destroyer, and headed for Pearl Harbor on October, 1944.

He was involved in many of the battles in the Leyte Gulf, New Guinea, Mindoro, Corregidor, and Manila Bay. While patrolling the waters near Okinawa, with other destroyers, a suicide Japanese

plane crashed onto the Kimberly. They lost twenty-four men and one officer.

Awards and medals Howard earned were the American Campaign Ribbon, the Asiatic Campaign, Pacific Campaign Ribbons, Two Campaign Stars, the Philippine Liberation Medal, and the Victory Medal.

When discharged in April 1946, Howard was a Fire Controller 3<sup>rd</sup> Class. On May 11, 1949, he married Lola Current. They have six children, nineteen grandchildren, and thirty great-grandchildren. They are still farming in their community, and active members of the United Methodist Church. Howard is a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars.

The members of the Schuyler Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution wish to extend their gratitude and thanks to Howard Anderson for his service to our great country.