

# Missouri State Society Daughters of the American Revolution



## Patriot of the Month

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James I. Murphy

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James Murphy was inducted into the U.S. Army 87<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division in 1943. He served as a regimental supply staff sergeant during World War II. His dates of service were from 1943 to 1945. He served in the European Theater in France, Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany, under General Patton. Mr. Murphy's infantry division helped to liberate Buchenwald Concentration Camp prisoners.

Mr. Murphy was awarded the Certificate of Merit for the European Theater of Operations, U.S. Army. Colonel S. R. Tupper, 347<sup>th</sup> Infantry Division, wrote this citation on the certificate in recognition of Technician Fourth Grade James I. Murphy's exemplary service, "For exceptionally meritorious service and sincere devotion to duty while serving in France, Belgium, Luxembourg and Germany in connection with military operations against an enemy of the United States. Sergeant Murphy, a member of the Supply Section of the 347<sup>th</sup> Infantry, worked tirelessly throughout the severe winter months securing the needed supplies for the front line soldier." Mr. Murphy also shared a beautiful prayer which he carried with him in service.

Mr. Murphy and his wife, Marian, have seven children and two adopted children. He enjoys his farm and is loved by his family and community. He is a mentor to his grandchildren, and he vividly remembers his service to our country.

The members of the James Monroe Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution wish to extend our sincere gratitude to James I. Murphy for his service to our great nation.