

Missouri State Society Daughters of the American Revolution



Patriot of the Month

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William Stanley Jenkins

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Clark County Chapter



William Stanley Jenkins was born in 1948 and grew up in Clark County, Missouri. He completed high school at Kahoka, Missouri, in 1966. He joined the military in 1967. His active and reserve time make twenty-seven years of duty. He was discharged and retired May 1994 from Co. D 3/340 2Bde 85th Div (TNG) in Quincy, Illinois.

His service and duty locations include:

- February 24, 1967, he joined the U.S. Navy at St. Louis, Missouri; boot camp in Great Lakes
- May to October 1967, USS Inflict MSO456, Long Beach, California
- 1968-1969, security guard in Chulai, Vietnam
- 1969-1970, on board USS Shields DD596 at San Diego, California
- 1970-1974, served in the Naval Reserve in Davenport, Iowa
- January 1975, honorable discharge from USNR – rank Fireman
- January 1975, transferred to Iowa Army National Guard, Co. D 224th Combat Engr. Army NG in Keokuk, Iowa
- January 1981, honorable discharge from Army National Guard with rank of Sergeant Co. D224th Combat Engr. Bn Keokuk, Iowa
- January 1981-9184, served in the Army Reserves in 3/340 2nd Bde 85th Div in Quincy, Illinois, first as sergeant, then in 1983 as SSG Drill Sgt
- 1987, as SFC Drill SGT and Senior Tank Commander until retired in May 1994

His decorations, medals, badges, citations and campaign ribbons received:

- Vietnam Service Medal
- Vietnam Campaign Medal
- National Defense Service Medal
- Rifle M-16 Qualifying Badge

- ARCAM in 1975
- Iowa ARNG Leadership Ribbon
- 20 Year Ribbon
- Armed Forces Reserved Medal
- Certificate of Appreciation for Service in the Armed Forces of the U.S.

In 1973 Stanley started to work in Fruitland, Iowa, at Lewis Bros. Welding. Next, he worked at Keokuk's St. Louis Die Casting as a "set up" man for twelve years. Then he worked in Keokuk at Sheller Globe, which became Henniges, where he retired after twenty-five years.

Stanley and his family are good, hard working people. He has worked steadily at his day job as well as having given loyal service to his country in twenty-seven years of duty. He is often found attending a veteran's funeral as support in the Honor Guard, or any number of other supports, helping veterans and their families.

These days, Stanley and his wife, Sheila, help babysit their grandchildren, attend church, maintain their home, and lead quiet lives as part of the elder generation.

The Daughters of the Clark County Chapter DAR are proud to nominate William Stanley Jenkins as Patriot of the Month and extend their gratitude for his patriotic service and commitment to our great nation.