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Patriot of the Month May 2016



Walter H. Busch
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Walter H. Busch served in the United States Army Air Corps as a PFC, administrative specialist from February 20, 1945 until November 26, 1946. He was inducted into the service at Jefferson Barracks. He served in Leyte, Philippines, in a variety of administrative duties at the post exchange. In Palawan, Philippines, he took over personnel records from a master sergeant. As an administrative specialist, he made monthly reports to Manila, kept records of supplies, and typed up court martial and officers' reports.

Mr. Busch received the following medals: Good Conduct Medal, Victory Medal, Asiatic-Pacific Theater Medal, and was honorably discharged at Ft. Sheridan, Illinois on November 26, 1946.

Mr. Busch has been president of Salem Lutheran Church, a two term president of the Label Printing Industries of America, president of Specialty Printing, named a Kentucky Colonel, a founding sponsor for American Veterans Disable for Life Memorial, a volunteer worker at the veterans home at Jefferson Barracks, a member of the American Legion 10th District, Post 397 awarded Outstanding Post Commander. He also served as a chaplain and on the executive committee. He has been married forty years to his second wife. He was awarded for his patriotic service by the U.S. Army Air Corps of the state of Missouri.

Mr. Busch has a zest for life, exemplary work ethic, and genuine concern for the welfare of others. A practicing Christian throughout his life, Mr. Busch often prayed, "Lord, what should I do?" His resulting actions show a true team player with a "can-do" positive and cooperative attitude. He is a leader, an innovative problem solver, with the ability to motivate others to do their best.

When younger, he played softball, basketball, and competitive baseball. At the same time, dedication to his studies won him a scholarship to Washington University. He chose to attend Valparaiso where he was vice president of his class. While a corporation president, he raised three sons, served as president of two church congregations, along with many other activities. In retirement, Mr. Busch continues to give back to American servicemen. He is a giver and an outstanding example of an honorable American veteran.

The Daughters of the St. Louis-Jefferson Chapter DAR are proud to nominate Walter H. Busch as Patriot of the Month and extend their gratitude for his patriotic service and commitment to our great nation.