## Missouri State Society Daughters of the American Revolution Proudly Honors



Patriot of the Month

November 2018



## Lowell M. Wood United States Navy

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Lowell entered the United States Navy in June 1944, completing his basic training at Farragut Naval Training Station, Bayview, ID. He was assigned to the aircraft carrier USS *Essex (CV 9)* where he served for 18 months until being honorably discharged from Bremerton, WA in June 1946.



While aboard ship he spent most of his time in the photography lab except when being called on to take photographs on the ship. During his time aboard ship, the *Essex* participated in the Pacific Ocean theater in and around the Philippines, the South China Sea and Japan.

Lowell, together with the crew of the *Essex*, received the Presidential Unit Citation. He also received the American Area Campaign Medal, WWII Victory Medal, Asiatic Pacific Area Campaign Medal with five stars, and the Philippine Liberation Medal with two stars.

After Lowell's service, he made a career as a photographer with a studio in St. Louis. He has been married to his wife Shirley for 66 years. Together they have three children and four grandchildren.

Ozark Spring Daughters are very proud of Lowell M. Wood and honored to recognize him as Patriot of the Month for his dedicated patriotic service to his community and our great nation.