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Patriot of the Month



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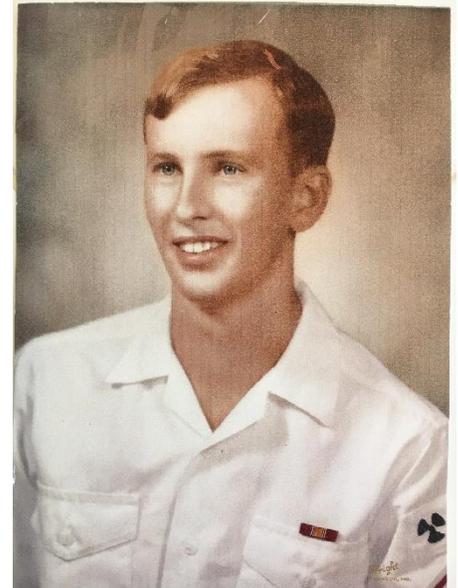
Dean H. Powell

United States Navy

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Dean joined the United States Navy in 1967 completing his basic training in San Diego, CA with additional training at Great Lakes Naval Station, IL as a machinist mate. Following training, Dean was assigned to a NATO base in Naples, Italy where he served until his enlistment was completed.

Dean had many memorable experiences during his service. Assigned to the motor pool, he was selected as personal chauffeur for Admiral Horacio Rivero. The Admiral's bodyguard taught Dean the Italian language and how to scuba dive. Another fond memory is when Dean was assigned to drive the King and Queen of Denmark sightseeing through the countryside. He remembers how down to earth and kind they were. Another time he served in the motor pool line when President Nixon visited.



What impressed Dean most during his time overseas was the admiration and generosity he received by the European people while serving in Europe. Americans were truly treated as heroes; something they did not receive when they returned home.

In civilian life, Dean, along with his father and three brothers ran a 2,000 acre dairy farm before joining the Missouri Department of Revenue. He is currently the assistant chief of the New Bloomfield Fire Protection District and has served as a firefighter for over 32 years and a first responder for 27 years. He and his wife, Leona, have been married 45 years, have three children and ten grandchildren. Dean believes in serving his community and has been active with many organizations and his local church.

Jane Randolph Jefferson Daughters are very proud of Dean H. Powell and honored to recognize him as Patriot of the Month for his dedicated patriotic service to his community and our great nation.