

Missouri State Society Daughters of the American Revolution Proudly Honors



Patriot of the Month

August 2019



Daniel W. Gifford, Jr.

United States Army

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After completing graduate school in Columbia, MO, Daniel enlisted in the United States Army in 1968, attending basic training at Ft. Dix, NJ, before entering Officer Candidate School. His duty stations included Ft. Benning, GA, Ft. Bragg, NC and Vietnam.



Following his discharge in 1971, Daniel served in the Individual Reserves and in 1974 joined the Missouri National Guard serving in the field artillery unit. In 1981, Daniel returned to active duty attending the Army Command and General Staff College at Ft. Leavenworth, KS. Before his retirement, Daniel was assigned to Atlanta, GA, Washington, DC and Ft. Sill, OK.

For his service, Daniel received the Bronze Star, several Meritorious Service Awards and the Army Commendation Medal. While serving as second lieutenant, the best advice he received was to “always look after your troops first.”

Daniel and his wife, Sharon, have one son. In 1994 Daniel ‘retired to go fishing’.

Sarah Barton Murphy Daughters are very proud to honor and recognize Lt. Col. Daniel W. Gifford, Jr. as Patriot of the Month for his dedication, patriotism and service to our great nation.