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Patriot of the Month

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Pletcher E. Rogers

United States Air Force

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Pletcher E. Rogers was drafted November 1951. His basic training was in two parts. The 1st part was at Lackland AFB in San Antonio, Texas. The 2nd part was at Shepherd AFB, Wichita Falls, Texas. Next, he went to Airborne radio Operator School at Kessler AFB, Biloxi, Mississippi. In September of 1952 Pletcher was sent to Ashiya Airfield Kyushu Island in the southern part of Japan until May of 1953. As part of the 483d Troop Carrier Group he flew in a C-119 Flying Boxcar to Japan. Pletcher was in Suwon and Kunsan before he was shipped home and honorably discharged. Pletcher was in the Air Force Reserve (NARS) Selfridge, AFB Michigan until 1959.



Corporal Rogers earned the Korea Service Medal and United Nations Medal, Medallion and Certificate.

Pletcher was the next to the youngest of eleven children. He was united in marriage in February 1951 to Bonnie Shortt. They had seven children and are very proud of their accomplishments. Two of Pletcher and Bonnie's sons served in the military, one attaining the rank of Four Star General and the other one attaining the rank of Colonel. He has a grandson in the military that attained the rank of Lt. Colonel. He has 25 grandchildren and 39 great-grandchildren and 1 great-great-grandchild.

During his many years of working he held many jobs. He worked at Caterpillar, Inc., farmed and milked cows, served in the military, sold Real Estate, was Police Chief in Sparta and Ozark, Missouri and he drove a moving van over 560,000 miles throughout the United States without any accidents.

Pletcher is a member of the Christian County Republican Committee, Sons of the American Revolution, and a church member. He served on the school board, the fire board, and was a Boy Scout Leader. He has been a Christian most of his life.

Jane Randolph Jefferson Daughters are very proud to honor and recognize Pletcher E. Rogers as Patriot of the Month for his patriotism and dedicated service to our great nation.