



*Missouri Society Daughters of the American
Revolution*

**Patriot of the Month; September 2008
Ronald L. Sterrett**

Ronald L. Sterrett was enlisted in the Army during World War II from September 12, 1942 to December 13, 1945. He was a Staff Sergeant in Company A of the 51st Armor Infantry Battalion serving in Normandy, the Rineland and Central Europe. Ronald served under General Patton.

Ronald received the following honors:

- World War II Victory Medal
- Service Stripe

- Two Overseas Service Bars
- American Campaign Medal
- European-African Middle Eastern Theater Ribbon with three bronze battle stars
- Two Purple Hearts
- Combat Infantry Badge
- Expert with M/1 rifle

Back in civilian life, Ronald spent 40 years in teaching, coaching and school administration. He has been a member of several community organizations:

- AARP Coordinator
- Audrain County Nutrition Board Chairman
- Audrain County Housing Commission Chairperson
- Shelter Workshop Board and Officer
- Audrain County elected Representative to Silver Hair Legislature
- 14 year Kiwanis member and officer
- Elder, First Christian Church and choir member
- Member of Retired teacher organizations in Illinois and Missouri
- Lifetime member and Commander of the John J. Pershing Disabled American Veterans Chapter

Ronald and his wife, Mary Beth, have three children, ten grandchildren and seven great grandchildren. He has been an asset to his country and community. The James Monroe Chapter NSDAR proudly nominate him for Patriot of the Month