



Missouri State Society Daughters of the American Revolution

**Patriot of the Month; April 2010
Jerome Brondel**



The Missouri State Society NSDAR is pleased to honor Jerome Brondel as a Patriot of the Month for April 2010.

Jerome was born in Jefferson City, Missouri, and attended St. Andrews Elementary School and Tipton High School in Tipton, Missouri. He entered the Army in July 1952 and was assigned to Co. G, 35th Regiment. He did his 16 weeks of basic training and eight weeks of Infantry Leadership School training at Ft. Riley, Kansas. After basic training he was sent to Korea and was assigned to the 25th Infantry Division known as Tropic Lightning. He served in Korea for 16 months and was discharged at Sergeant of Weapons Platoon.

After his discharge he returned to work at Hallmark Cards where he had been employed prior to his military service. He retired in 1991 after 40 years of service. He and his wife Dolores then moved to Eldon, Missouri. They had two sons and one granddaughter, now all deceased.

Jerome is very active in all facets of the Eldon VFW Post 2442 and is a life member of the Honor Guard and Funerary Detail. He is a member of the Sacred Heart Church, Knights of Columbus, Missouri River Valley Steam Engine Association, Osage River Valley Steam Engine Association, Early Day Gas Engine and Tractor Association, life member and past president of the Miller County Historical Society, and life member of the Friends of the McClay Home in Tipton, which for a short time during the Civil War was the headquarters of General John Fremont Union forces.

Medals and Honors received:

- Combat Infantry Badge
- United Nations Service Medal
- Korean Service Medal with two Service Stars
- National Defense Service Medal
- Good Conduct Medal

Jerome is Eldon Chapter's first HODAR. He has donated many hours to support the chapter's patriotic endeavors, including providing Honor Guard for marker dedication ceremonies. He has bravely served our country and continues to proudly serve by ensuring proper respect for military funerals and other patriotic events in his community.

The Eldon Chapter proudly nominated Jerome Brondel as Patriot of the Month.