

**Missouri State Society Daughters of the American Revolution
Proudly "Spotlights" our April 2012
Patriot of the Month**



Larry Franklin

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**Armstrong Chapter
Armstrong, Missouri**



Larry Franklin attended Moberly High School and enlisted into the Air Force in January 1957. He went to Lackland Air Force Base in Texas for four weeks of basic training. He spent an additional fourteen weeks at Lackland where he attended Air Police School and learned to handle dogs.

Following the schooling, he was assigned to the Canine Squadron. His dog's name was Bodo. He was then sent to K8 Air Force Base near Kunsan, Korea in July 1957 for one year. Upon returning to the States, he was assigned to Richards Gebaur Air Force Base in Kansas City, Missouri where he cross-trained to airbase supply. He remained at Richards Gebaur Air Force Base until he was discharged in October 1960 with the rank of Airman 2nd Class. After being discharged, he entered the Air Force Reserve for two years from 1960 to 1962.

Larry received a Good Conduct Medal.

Larry started work as a switchman for the Wabash Railroad in 1963. Later, the railroad was bought out and the name was changed to Norfolk & Southern. After 32 years of employment with the railroad, Larry became

disabled in 1995.

Larry married Linda Myers on June 12, 1965. They have two sons who have both served in Navy submarine service. Larry also has two daughters by a previous marriage. He has nine grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

Larry is a member of the First Baptist Church, Veterans of Foreign Wars, and American Legion.

Larry's wife, Linda, is a member of the Armstrong Chapter DAR.