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Patriot of the Month**



**Ann Lizabeth
Garrigues**

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Ann Lizabeth Garrigues was born October 4, 1946 in Carthage, Missouri. She graduated from Carthage Senior High School with the Class of 1964. Ann is a registered nurse and holds degrees from Pittsburg State University, the University of Kansas, and the Medical College of Georgia.

Ann began her nursing career as an operating room nurse at St. Luke's Hospital in Kansas City, Missouri. In 1971, she entered the U.S. Air Force Nurse Corps and was stationed at Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas. After two years active duty she returned to civilian nursing and worked in a variety of settings from clinical to educational to administrative. In 1990 she entered the Navy Reserve and retired after twenty years with the rank of Commander.

During her forty plus year combined military and civilian nursing career she lived and worked in Kansas; Texas; Missouri; Georgia; and Arkansas. Reserve assignments took her to military facilities in Georgia; North and South Carolina; Florida; and California.

While living in Arkansas she traveled on many “weekend cruises”, as she calls them, to practice in the hospital and medical clinic at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri.

Ann has a National Defense Service Medal with two service stars, which she says is somewhat unusual as this indicates service during the Vietnam War, Gulf War, and the War on Terrorism.

Ann enjoys leisure time with family, friends, and adopted kittens, Wally and Dandy, swimming, reading, working in the yard, and “important-task puttering.” Over the years Ann has been an active member and/or supporter of numerous professional and military associations.

Ann has been a member of NSDAR since 1982. Since she has returned to her home area, she has been active now serving as Vice Regent of the Rhoda Fairchild Chapter.