

Missouri State Society Daughters of the American Revolution  
Proudly Spotlights our May 2012  
Patriot of the Month



**John Wayne  
Nash**

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John Wayne Nash graduated from Raymore Peculiar High School in 1966. After dropping out of college, he was drafted. He joined the U.S. Marine Corps in May 1968. He received his basic training in Camp Pendleton, California.

John was a Sergeant and served as squad leader and grenade launcher. He served his entire tour of duty in Vietnam south of Da Nang in the Aushon Valley, and received three field promotions during this time. He remained on active duty until November 1969.

John's medals and awards include:

- **Bronze Star Medal**
- **Republic of Vietnam Cross of Gallantry**
- **Presidential Unit Citation**
- **Combat Action Medal**

- **National Defense Service Medal**
- **Vietnam Campaign Medal**
- **Vietnam Service Medal**
- **Marine Corps Good Conduct Medal**

**John enjoyed a sales career after his tour of duty.**

**John has just written and published a book about his service titled, "Whispers of Death, The Nightmare That Lasted a Lifetime".**

**John married Dinah Nash, his high school sweetheart. They have four children and ten grandchildren. They attend the Church of the Resurrection.**