

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



William L. Robb

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William L. Robb graduated from Armstrong High School in 1943. He was drafted and inducted into the United States Army at Ft. Leavenworth, Kansas on March 19, 1945. He attended basic training at Camp Maxey near Paris, Texas.

William was sent to Ft. Riley, Kansas, leaving there on September 25, 1945 to go to the State of Washington. From there, he departed for Honolulu, Hawaii in the Pacific Theater of Operations. He arrived in Honolulu on October 4, 1945 where he was stationed for one year. He was assigned as a Military Police (MP) with the 298th Military Police Company. William did not want to be an MP so he was reassigned as a cook. William eventually became the mess sergeant and ordered all of the kitchen supplies and food.

William stated he didn't care for the ship ride to Honolulu as it took thirteen days to get there. He experienced a bout of seasickness for three of those days and was sick for three days when he returned stateside. He left Hawaii on October 4, 1946 and

arrived in the United States on October 18, 1946 in San Francisco. He traveled to Ft. Sheridan, Illinois by train where he was discharged on December 11, 1946. He then returned home to Missouri by train.

William's ribbons and medals include:

- Asiatic Pacific Theater Ribbon
- World War II Victory Medal
- Overseas Service Bar

After returning home, he worked at a gas station and finally resorted to farming. He married Dorothy Ann Bradley on September 18, 1948. They lived on the farm and William has remained a life-long farmer to this day. Two daughters were born to this union. There are six grandchildren and eight great-grandchildren.

William is a member of the First Baptist Church.