

Missouri State Society Daughters of the American Revolution



Patriot of the Month

July 2014



Richard W. Duncan

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Richard W. Duncan was a member of the Missouri Army National Guard. He enlisted in September of 1955 and continued serving until 1979. During this time he completed Officers Training School at Camp Clark in Nevada, Missouri, where he received his commission as a second lieutenant, advancing to the rank of captain. He reenlisted in 1985 for several more years.

Early in his career Richard supported the division signal officer, was a radio operator, and a supply staff sergeant. As an officer he became the Detachment Commander of the 135th Signal Battalion composed of 500 personnel. During this time, no items were lost which is commendable for a battalion of its size. In addition, he was in charge of the St. Joseph detachment during the 1969 riots in Kansas City, Missouri.

Richard separated from the National Guard in 1992 as a captain with 33 years of service. In 1997 he received his Certificate of Retirement from the Armed Forces of the United States for service in the US Army.

Richard is the husband of LaDonna Duncan, past MSSDAR registrar. Richard and LaDonna have four children, six grandchildren, and two great granddaughters.

The members of the Major Molly Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution are proud to nominate Richard Wayne Duncan as Patriot of the Month. They extend their gratitude for his service to our country and his patriotism.