

Missouri State Society Daughters of the American Revolution



Patriot of the Month

February 2016



Robert P. Westfall

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Nodaway Chapter



Robert P. Westfall was born April 23, 1946 in Maryville, Missouri. He graduated from Maryville High School in 1964. He then attended Ventura Community College, Ventura, California for one year and returned to Maryville to attend Northwest Missouri State College until he was called to enter the U.S. Army Military Service on October 18, 1966. Robert married Carolyn Stoll on December 23, 1966 at the St. Gregory Church in Maryville while on military leave. Carolyn resided in Maryville while Robert served his term with the U.S. Army. He had his Basic Training at Ft. Leonard Wood, Missouri; Advanced Training at Ft. Eustis, Virginia; then his assignment at Ft. Knox, Kentucky. He was sent to Cam Rahn Bay, Vietnam in August of 1967 and was there until honorably discharged August 28, 1968 at Ft. Lewis, Washington. His job was a Transportation Movement Specialist, field support. Medals received were: Vietnam Service Medal; Spec. in M-16; National Defense Service Medal; and Vietnam Campaign Medal with 2 bars.

After his discharge, Robert started to work at Creston, Iowa in the oil industry, pipeline construction and maintenance. For 36 years he worked as a Head Pipeliner, Welder, and finally as a Specialized Work Activity Team Leader throughout the Midwest.

Robert is truly an asset to our community by continuing to volunteer wherever and whenever needed! Listed here are some of his outstanding services: 6 years on the Maryville, Missouri, Parks & Recreation Board; life member at Maryville Elks, Lodge #760 (past trustee); member Maryville Host Lions -Tail Twister; Chairman Meals on Wheels Committee; member of James Edward Gray American Legion Post #100 – serve and sometimes command the Military Funeral Honors; Chairman, Flag Program – a joint effort of the Lions Club and Boy Scout Troop 75 to display nearly 200 Flags in Maryville on certain holidays.

If a need arises, our community knows that Robert Westfall will be there to offer his services! He has helped our Nodaway Chapter at each of our Vietnam Commemorative Events – served as part of the “Missing Man Table” presentation in November, 2014; assisted with the Flag Folding Ceremony in February, 2015; and will assist in explaining the Vietnam Commemorative Flag in February, 2016. We are proud of Robert Westfall and he most certainly is deserving of this Award! Robert and Carolyn Westfall reside in Maryville, where he is presently serving as one of our Nodaway County Commissioners. They have three children: Tim, Richard and Traci and also 2 grandchildren.

The Daughters of the Nodaway Chapter DAR are proud to nominate Robert P. Westfall as Patriot of the Month and extend their gratitude for his patriotic service and commitment to our great nation.