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Patriot of the Month April 2016



Richard Coyle
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Richard entered the United States Army where he lived in New Jersey on February 15, 1944. He was trained as a Field Linesman where he laid wires used for communication between the different posts and the soldiers. He performed this duty sometimes under enemy fire and always if there was any break in the line. He performed this job in England, France, and Luxembourg, Germany. He attained the rank of PFC Infantry, U. S. Army.

Mr. Coyle received three bronze stars for participating in Battle of the Bulge, for his heroic actions in the Battle of Hürtgen Forest, Ardennes France, and the Rhineland in Central Europe. He was honorably discharged on January 11, 1946.

He married his wife Theresa on December 28, 1963, and they have four children. After the service he was a newspaper reporter for four years. He then became a fundraiser. In 1960 he moved to St. Louis and began to work for Saint Louis University as a fundraiser and worked there for seventeen years. Mr. Coyle is a member of the Gateway Chapter 8 of the Battle of the Bulge.

The Daughters of the St. Louis-Jefferson Chapter DAR are proud to nominate Richard Coyle as Patriot of the Month and extend their gratitude for his patriotic service and commitment to our great nation.