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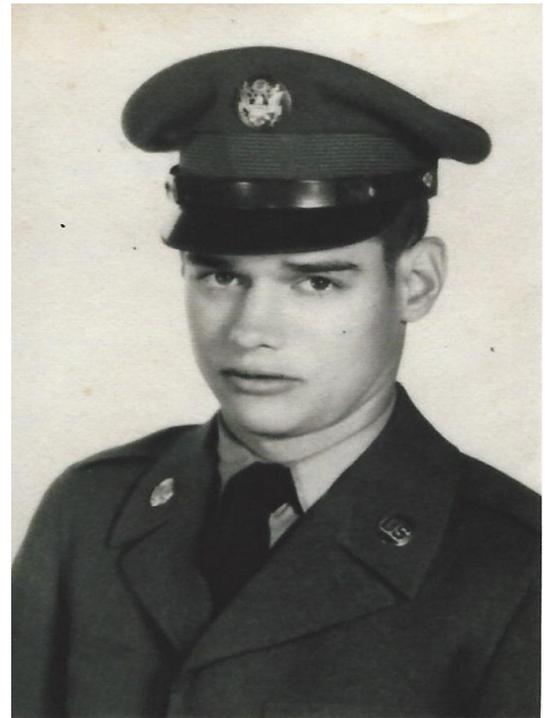


Patriot of the Month
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Orville Stuck, Jr.
United States Army

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Orville Stuck, Jr. graduated high school and attended his local junior college trade school for one and one-half years. He was enrolled in Auto Mechanics and Metal Trades until he was drafted into the United States Army on February 25, 1953. He went to basic training at Camp Roberts, California, where he was trained as a Light Weapons Infantryman. Upon graduating from basic training on July 20, 1953, he was transferred to Camp Stoneman, California. From there, he left for Japan by ship.

After arriving in Japan, the group boarded a train and traveled to the opposite side of Japan, and then boarded another ship to Korea. When Orville arrived in Korea he was assigned to the 2nd Infantry Division. A few months later in November 1953, he was transferred to Company A, 519 Military Police Battalion in Korea. While in Korea, Corporal Stuck served 16 months with the United Nations Command Military Armistice Commission (UNCMAC) support group Military Police.

Orville was discharged at Fort Carson, Colorado, in February 1955. He received the Good Conduct Medal and the Meritorious Unit Commendation as well as other medals which he cannot remember by name.

A humorous incident Orville shared was when the First Sergeant told the soldiers that he did not want any of the guys (shutterbugs) taking pictures during the switch of the anti-communist Chinese prisoner soldiers, who did not want to return to China, but were to board a United States Landing Ship in nearby Inchon harbor and sail to Formosa. So Orville and another soldier were taking pictures from a distance on a hill, until they

decided to go closer to take some pictures. When they got up close, there stood the First Sergeant taking pictures. The three took pictures and pretended they didn't see each other.

After returning home, Orville went to work for the David Tree Company for one year, then started to work for Safeway Grocery which later became known as Food Barn. He retired from there in 1991 after 32 years of employment.

Orville is a member of his local Baptist Church and a Volunteer for Meals on Wheels.

Armstrong Daughters are proud to recognize and honor Orville Stuck, Jr. as Patriot of the Month for his patriotism and dedication to our great nation.