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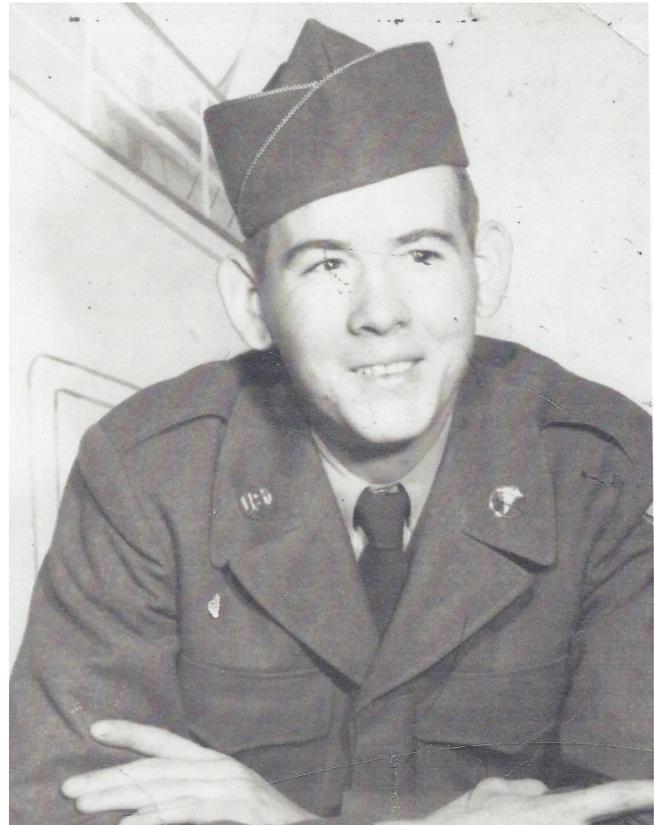
**Patriot of the Month**

**January 2017**



**Robert J. Miller**  
**United States Army**

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Robert J. Miller grew up in a large family. At the conclusion of grade school, rather than going to high school, Robert began working to help support his family. In 1954, he enlisted into the United States Army. He was a Practical Nurse. He served as a medic, both in a hospital in Japan where wounded soldiers from the Korean conflict were sent, and on board a ship which transported wounded soldiers back to the states.

Robert was discharged in California in 1956. He received the Good Conduct Medal.

After he returned home, Robert worked a variety of jobs around the state. He worked for the Producers Creamery in the plant and as a truck driver. He then worked as a carpenter for a short time in a larger city. Robert then worked for 11 years at the local jeans manufacturing plant. Next he built a dairy farm and operated it for 20 years with his wife and four children.

Robert's next younger brother, J.C., was able to attend high school, where he was an outstanding football player. J.C. was named to the Missouri All Star football team in the fall of 1953. In May of 1954, he was named to the National High School All-American all Stars. Enlisting in the Air Force, he served his first four year obligation and then reenlisted for another six years. However, in October 1958, he was in a group of 18 in an Air Force aircraft which crashed in Idaho, leaving no survivors. J.C. left a wife and three children.

Robert, who was always very active, can no longer stand nor walk. He resides in a nursing home, where he uses a wheelchair. He participates in the nursing home activities. His wife and children visit him frequently.

Ozark Spring Daughters are proud and honored to recognize Robert J. Miller as Patriot of the Month for his patriotism and service to our great nation.