

**Missouri State Society Daughters of the American Revolution  
Proudly Honors**

**Patriot of the Month**

**April 2017**



**Kenneth D. Wakefield**

**United States Air Force**

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While still in high school Ken applied and was accepted for the Delayed Enlistment Program in the United States Air Force. After graduation in 1969, he first reported to Lackland Air Force Base, Texas. Soon after, he reported to Sheppard Air Force Base, Texas, for his basic training. He then transferred to McConnell Air Force Base, Kansas. Later he received his Missile Training at Vandenberg Air Force Base, California. He also served at Grissom Air Force Base, Indiana, where he served as a Missile Facility Technician for the Titan II Missile Silo. As an E-5 Tech Sergeant, Ken received an honorable discharge in 1985.

During his 16 year military career he received marksmanship awards, learned to read blue prints, served in the Big Brother Program, was a member of the Search and Rescue Team to recover bodies from a downed aircraft, and played on an Air Force football team.

After his discharge from the Air Force, Ken secured employment as a Pipefitter with a large Engineering Service Organization. His title was Facility Maintenance Specializing in Pipefitting. He believes the pipefitting training and experience he received in the Air Force helped to open doors for

his career. After nearly 30 years as a trusted employee, Ken decided it was time to relax and enjoy quality time with his family and friends.

Ken married his high school sweetheart, Ginger, and they have been married over 40 years. He is the proud father of two daughters and has six grandchildren. He enjoys camping and traveling, constantly in search of new sites of interest within our great nation.

Troy Daughters are very proud and honored to recognize Kenneth Wakefield as Patriot of the Month for his patriotism and service to our great nation.