

Missouri State Society Daughters of the American Revolution Proudly Honors

Patriot of the Month



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Gary Iloff

United States Army

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In May 1980, Gary enlisted in the United States Army and went to basic training and advanced individual training at Fort Sill, Oklahoma. His Military Occupational Specialty was Cannon Crewman Artillery. After completing his training he transferred to Fort Lewis, Washington, in September, 1980. In January, 1982, he was sent to Camp Essayons, Korea for 13 months. In March, 1983, upon returning to Fort Lewis, Washington, he was discharged.

Gary joined his local National Guard Military Police Unit in 2006. The unit was sent to aid with hurricane Gustav in Louisiana in 2008. In 2009, Gary went with the 1140th Military Police Unit to Afghanistan for one year. He received his discharge from the National Guard in February, 2014, with the rank of Sergeant-E5.

During his time in the military he received the following medals: Overseas Ribbon, Good Conduct Medal, Army Achievement Medal and Army Commendation Medal. He also made the Commanders List and graduated from the Primary Non-Commissioned Officers Course.

Gary shared while in Afghanistan for the year, several fellow soldiers were sending their pay home. They later found out, either by a phone call, letter, or when they returned home, their wife or girlfriend had taken their money and left them. This was quite an emotional experience for Gary.

Gary received his General Education Degree in 1982 while in Korea. In 2008, he graduated from the Law Enforcement Academy at his local Community College.

Gary was happily married for 24 years to Anita, until she passed in June 2014. In January 2016, he married Jackie. He has one daughter.

Gary attends the Assembly of God Church and the Seventh Day Adventist Church. He is a member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) and a prior member of the American Legion. He and his wife Jackie, own the American Café inside the VFW building.

Armstrong Daughters are honored to recognize Gary D. Iloff as Patriot of the Month for his dedication and patriotic service to our great nation.