

## Missouri State Society Daughters of the American Revolution

## PATRIOT OF THE MONTH

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T.J. was ready, willing and able when called to active duty for the purpose of deployment to the Mideast. Her attitude was, "This is what I have been trained to do and what I volunteered for in the beginning."

During this extensive and dangerous deployment, her husband, Christopher, has been extremely supportive keeping the home fires burning and caring for Nathan, their 3-year-old son. They have since had a baby girl, Claire, on October 15.

- T.J. has received the following awards and decorations:
  - ♦ Air Medal (2)
  - Aerlal Achievement Medal
  - Air Force Outstanding Unit Award
  - National Defense Service Medal
  - Armed Forces Expeditionary Med
  - ♦ Air Force Expeditionary Service Ribbon
  - Air Force Longevity Service
  - ♦ Air Force Training Ribbon
  - Missouri National Guard Expeditionary Ribbon

T.J. is a Junior member of the Platte Purchase MSSDAR chapter. Regina Davenport and the members of Platte Purchase are honored to nominate one of their own as MSSDAR's Patriot of the Month.

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