



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

PATRIOT OF THE MONTH



Louis Loyd Schlamer

Louis L. Schlamer began his service with the U.S. Army in October 1942, with Company A, 381st Infantry Regiment, 96th Infantry Division, known as "Deadeyes."

The 96th saw intense fighting in the South Pacific. The Division landed on Leyte in the Philippines in October 1944. On Easter Sunday, April 1945, the 96th landed on Okinawa, in the first wave. Louis saw his unit decimated by the enemy.

He received the following honors/citations:

- ◇ Good Conduct Medal
- ◇ Asiatic-Pacific Campaign Ribbon w/ two Bronze Service Stars
- ◇ Philippine Liberation Ribbon w/ two Bronze Service Stars
- ◇ Combat Infantryman's Badge
- ◇ American Theater Campaign Ribbon
- ◇ Victory Medal
- ◇ Bronze Service Arrowhead
- ◇ Expert Infantry Badge
- ◇ Overseas Service Bars (2)

Louis was married to Thelma in 1943. He returned to civilian life in January 1946. He and Thelma have three children, three grandchildren, and one great-grandchild. Louis worked for the Florsheim Shoe Company from the time he came back from the service until his retirement.

He is a member of American Legion Post #158. He loves to garden and shares the bounty of his beautiful garden with neighbors and family. He also loves to fish and goose hunt.

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Louis' daughter, Linda Schlamer Hutson, of John Guild Chapter, nominated him for Patriot of the Month. Linda says that her father is not one to speak of the events of WWII. She wrote that her father is a devoted, loving, and God fearing man, who remains dedicated to his country. She proudly nominates him for Patriot of the Month.



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