



*Missouri State Society Daughters of the
American Revolution*

Patriot of the Month; November 2008

Robert Leslie Keller

Robert was to graduate from Cairo High School in 1944, but was drafted into the Army and received his diploma in 1947. He was sworn in May 13, 1944 and discharged June 26, 1946, with the rank of Pvt. 1st

Class. He received basic training at Camp Barkley, Texas and left for the European Theatre of Operation in January, 1945. He was a surgical technician with the 227th General Hospital which acted as an evacuation hospital in Marmalawn, France. Later he was assigned to the 180th Tent Hospital in France which treated German POWs. The 180th transferred to Frankfurt, Germany, then back to France. Later, Pvt 1st Class Keller was assigned to the Grave Registration in Uncle, Germany for four months, then sent back to the United States and was discharged at Jefferson Barracks in St. Louis. He received the World War II Victory Medal, ETO Medal, Good Conduct medal and two Bronze Stars.

Bobby married Eloise Rogers in 1951 and they had three children and seven grandchildren. He is a member of the Cairo Baptist Church.

The Armstrong Chapter wishes to extend a big Thank You to Robert for his service!