



Missouri State Society Daughters of the American Revolution

**Patriot of the Month; January 2010
Victor E. Williams**



The Missouri State Society NSDAR is pleased to honor Victor Eugene Williams as a Patriot of the Month for January 2010.

Victor graduated from Ethel High School in Ethel, Missouri, in 1939, and enlisted in the Navy in September 1942. He received basic training at Great Lakes, Illinois, and attended Electrician Mate Training school at Newport, Rhode Island.

In April, 1943, he was assigned to the Destroyer USS Hudson, DD475, and was sent to the southwest

Pacific area and saw duty throughout the Pacific, including the Solomon Islands, Bismark Islands and the Marianas Islands. He then returned to the states for a leave. After his leave, he returned to San Diego, California, and a new ship, the USS Gayety, a minesweeper, AM239. This ship swept mines throughout Japanese waters. Victor was discharged in January 1946, as a Chief Electrician Mate.

Victor returned home and began working for Missouri Power & Light in Moberly, Missouri. After a 37 year career, he retired from Union Electric in 1985. He returned to Ethel, Missouri, and spent his retirement there until October 2008 when he returned to Moberly, Missouri. He is a member of the Naval Mine Warfare Association, the American Legion, and a life member of the Tin Can Sailors organization.

The Armstrong Chapter proudly nominated Victor Eugene Williams as Patriot of the Month.