



**Missouri State Society Daughters of the American Revolution
Patriot of the Month
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Harold Jackson
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Harold Jackson was born near Slater, Missouri, in 1918. He graduated from Slater High School in 1936, the University of Missouri, and the National Aeronautics School in Kansas City, Missouri. He was employed in 1941 by Lockheed Aircraft in Burbank California. Harold worked on the flight line during the day and taught aeronautics at night in Los Angeles. During this time the Navy approached Lockheed and asked if Harold could teach at the Chicago Vocational School as a civilian.

By 1942, Harold had joined the Navy and was teaching at the Navy Pier in Chicago. In 1944 he was assigned to another teaching position in Memphis, Tennessee. Like many service members during WWII Harold did not see combat but was able to make contributions toward the war effort. He was discharged from the Navy in 1945 with the rank of AMMIC.

During his civilian career Harold taught Electrical Theory at Coyne Electrical School and worked for the Illinois Bell Telephone Company where he

helped design the main Illinois Bell Telephone Office Building as well as the Western Electric Building.

Harold married Ellen Holmes and they have one daughter and two grandchildren. Harold and Ellen enjoy contributing and working with the Saline County Antiques and Collectables Organization. Harold has been involved with the Lion's Club, the American Legion Post #47, and attends the Baptist Church. He enjoys flying and is a past president of the Illinois Pilot Association.