



**Missouri State Society Daughters of the American Revolution  
Patriot of the Month  
September 2013**



**Richard Yoebstl**

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Richard Yoebstl grew up in Puxico, Missouri, just north of the Bootheel. With little prospects for employment in the area, he found out about a program which the United State Navy was beginning. This program permitted a two-year tour of duty instead of the usual four years. Richard graduated from Puxico High School in 1988 and joined the Navy in 1990. His duty station was San Diego, but spent about nine months of each year deployed at sea. He served on a CG21 missile cruiser which served as an escort for the USS Kittyhawk. Richard was an E3 boiler technician. He saw service in

the Persian Gulf, South Pacific, and defense of the “No Fly Zone.” Richard was discharged in 1992.

Awards and medals Richard earned are the Southwest Asia Deployment Medal, National Defense Medal, and the Sea Service Medal.

Following his service, he trained further at the local Vocational Technical School to become a HVAC Technician and has been employed by the John J. Pershing Medical Center for ten years. Richard married Amy Reasons, and they have two sons, Justin and Cole.

Regardless of the period in which someone serves in the United States Military, whether peacetime or in time of crisis or war, the continuation of trained personnel is a priority to keeping our fighting forces ready to meet any challenge which our country faces. The Poplar Bluff Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution are proud to nominate Richard Yoebstl as Patriot of the Month and wish to extend gratitude and thanks for his service to our great country.