



Missouri State Society Daughters of the American Revolution
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Gary Schmidt

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Judge Gary Schmidt graduated from Kirkwood High School, Kirkwood, MO in 1965 after excelling both academically and athletically. After graduation he attended and graduated from Westminster College, Fulton, MO. Judge Schmidt joined the United States Army as a Lieutenant in 1969 serving in Military Intelligence. He was sent to Fort Gordon, Georgia for Signal Training and then to Fort Holabird, Maryland for Intelligence Training. He served a year with the 106th Military Intelligence Group at Fort Campbell, Kentucky and then served with the First Cavalry Division and MACV-J2 in ground intelligence in Viet Nam during 1971 and 1972. He was wounded in Viet Nam and then retired in 1972.

As a civilian Judge Schmidt created an outstanding career in the legal profession. He served 20 years on the Bench as Circuit Court Judge in Moniteau County, MO. He was selected the Distinguished American

Jurist in 1992 and elected to the Kirkwood High School Alumni Hall of Fame for his intellectual achievements and community involvement. Judge Schmidt's volunteer activities include coaching youth sports and involvement with structuring and administering various youth sports groups around the country. He also continues to provide pro bono legal services for people in need. A true public servant, friends are quite used to him asking, "What can I do for you today?"

Judge Schmidt and his wife Chris have two children, Daniel and Lynne and two grandchildren Mikayla and Alexis. His mother, Mittie Schmidt, is a member of the John Sappington Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution even though she resides in Michigan with her daughter. He is a member of Faith Lutheran Church, a Life Member of the VFW Post 4345, where he was commander for two terms, and a Life Member of the Disabled American Veterans.

The members of the John Sappington Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution are proud to nominate Judge Gary N. Schmidt as Patriot of the Month and wish to extend our gratitude and thanks for his service to our country.