Missouri State Society Daughters of the American Revolution



Patriot of the Month

September 2015



Everett D. Powell

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Everett Powell served in the U.S. Army from June 29, 1942, to October 9, 1945, as a corporal. He entered the U.S. Army in Leavenworth, Kansas, in June 1942. He spent thirty-nine months in service with thirty-one months in the South Pacific. He was on the USS Calvin Coolidge troop ship when it sank near the New Hebrides Islands. He saw action on Guadalcanal and on New Georgia. He served as a medic at the 31st Station Hospital on New Caledonia Island until returning to the United States on April 1945. He finished his time at Schick General Hospital in Clinton, Iowa, until discharged on October 9, 1945.

His medals include: World War II Medal, Pacific Theater Medal with two stars, Bronze Star Medal, and the Good Conduct Medal.

Mr. Powell also worked six years as a civil service purchasing agent for the U.S. Air Force. He turned ninety-four in April 1945. He has been an active community member since returning from his thirty-nine month tour of duty in October 1945. He has been blessed with a beautiful singing voice and sang for weddings and funerals over the years. He is active in his church having served as choir director and Sunday School director with the Methodist Church for a long time. His other interests include being a member of the Masons which he recently received his seventy year pin. He belonged to the Moila Shriners in St. Joseph, as part of their "Old Timers" group that drove classic vehicles in parades and other events. He has been married to his wife, Jane Ann Powell, for fifty-four years.

The Daughters of the John Griffith Chapter DAR are proud to nominate Everett Powell as Patriot of the Month and extend their sincere gratitude for his patriotic service and commitment to our country.