## Missouri State Society Daughters of the American Revolution Proudly Honors



Patriot of the Month

October 2016





Don Nickerson attended high school until he enlisted in the United States Army in October 1960 at the age of 17. He

**Don Nickerson** 

**United States Army** 

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finished high school and received his General Education Development (GED) while in the first year of his service in the Army.

He went to basic training at Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, as well as Advanced Individual Training in Ordnance. Don was then transferred to Fort Dix, New Jersey for two weeks, then on to Hanau, Germany, where he was assigned to the 643<sup>rd</sup> Ordnance for two years. He returned to Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, where he was discharged on October 3, 1963. He earned the Expert Rifle Medal.

After being discharged from the Army, Don attended his local college for one and one-half years using the GI Bill.

Don married Roxanne Wheeler while he was home on furlough from Germany. They have seven children, 14 grandchildren and five great grandchildren. Don is a member of his local Baptist Church.

Armstrong Daughters proudly honor and recognize Don Nickerson as Patriot of the Month for his patriotic and dedicated service to our great nation.