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Patriot of the Month November 2016



Robert Whisenand United States Army

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Robert Whisenand graduated high school and attended a State Teachers College for three years. He enlisted in the 5503rd United States Army Reserve Hospital Unit on March 23, 1968. Robert attended basic training at Fort Polk, Louisiana, in August 1968. From October to December 1968, he was stationed at Fort Sam Houston, San Antonio, Texas for Advanced Individual Training. After 16 years, Robert was the Chief Wardmaster in the nursing service and was promoted to Sergeant First Class.



Robert went on active duty for one year and attended Licensed Practical Nurse School at his local junior college. He graduated in 1981. He continued on with his schooling and graduated in 1983. He was in the first Associate Degree Nursing class at his local junior college. After taking the nursing state boards, he became a Registered Nurse and after one year of practice, he was commissioned as a Second Lieutenant.

He was mobilized for Desert Storm, serving six months from December 1990 to June 1991 at the Fort Leonard Wood, Missouri, Emergency Room and the Fort Benning, Georgia, Emergency Room. He was also mobilized in January 2003 during the War in Iraq for three weeks. Robert claimed there was a huge difference between the civilian and active Army emergency rooms, making it a challenge; however, he enjoyed working in both emergency rooms. Discharged in July 2003, Robert retired with the rank of Major after 35 years of service in the Army Reserve.

Robert's work history consisted of Bookkeeping Supervisor for 4 years at a Hospital and Clinic, 4 years as an Instore Personnel Trainer at a Farm and Home Store, Bookkeeping Supervisor for another three years, and for 32 years he was in nursing at his Regional Medical Center. He currently works part time for his local County Health Department and part time for I CAN.

He is a member of his local Baptist Church where he is Chairman of the Deacons, Moderator of the Mount Zion Association, served on his local school board for 14 years, member of his Alumni Association Board and a member of his local school booster club.

Robert has three children and four granddaughters.

Armstrong Daughters are proud to recognize Robert Whisenand as Patriot of the Month for his patriotism and service to our great nation.