

# Missouri State Society Daughters of the American Revolution Proudly Honors



## Patriot of the Month

## December 2017



# Cynthia Taylor Vadala

## United States Air Force

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Cindy enlisted in the United States Air Force in Boston, Massachusetts, in October, 1965. After completing six weeks of basic training in San Antonio, Texas, she completed Technical School at Shepard Air Force Base, Wichita Falls, Texas. She was assigned to her duty station in Hancock Field, Syracuse, New York, in 1966, where her career field was in "Special Services" (recreation planning and conducting activities). Her area of work included on-site services of the Service Club, Library, Bowling Alley, Gymnasium, off-site camping facilities at Alexandria Bay, New York, plus work in the main Special Services office doing clerical coordination and publicity.



Cindy received a Good Conduct Medal. She was honorably discharged from the service in 1968 in Syracuse, New York. Cindy was the first female in her family to serve in the Armed Forces. Coming from a military family, she thoroughly enjoyed serving.

At the age of 40, Cindy attended college, receiving a Bachelor's of Science Degree/Human Services. She made the Dean's List each year. After college, she worked as a child advocate for the Children's Protection Agency for two years at Hillside Children's Center in Rochester, New York. She then became certified for Recreation Director positions, a field she worked in at multiple nursing home facilities in New York, Pennsylvania, and Missouri.

Cindy and her husband, Joe, who she met in New York, now reside in Missouri. They have a son and two grandchildren. Cindy is a member of the Olde Town Fenton NSDAR Chapter, the Old Maine Cemetery Association, and the Daughters of Union Veterans of Civil War.

Cindy is a very caring individual who has led a life of service to others. In 2003, Cindy left her job to care for her ill father in Boston, Massachusetts, after many years of service as a child advocate for children and working in a number of nursing homes as a certified recreation director. Her father served in the Armed Forces for 20 years, having served in World War II and Korean War. Retiring from the United States Navy, he transferred to the United States Army. Cindy and her family lived in Okinawa, Germany, Texas, and Oklahoma.

Olde Town Fenton Daughters are very proud to honor and recognize Cynthia Taylor Vadala as Patriot of the Month for her patriotism and dedication service to our great nation.