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Patriot of the Month



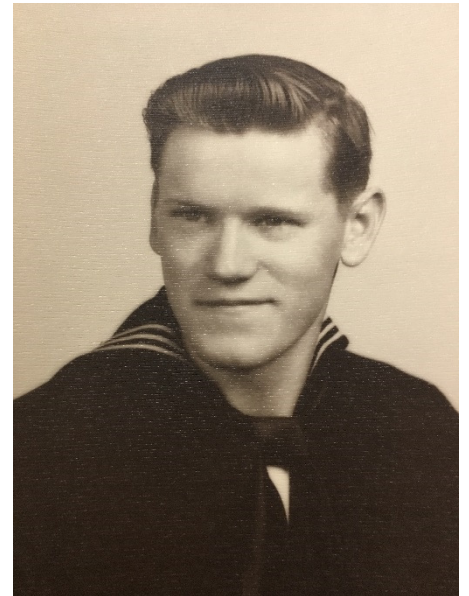
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James E. Tierney

United States Navy

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James E. 'Jim' Tierney enlisted in the United States Navy in 1944 at the age of 17. After completing basic training in Great Lakes, MI, and attending mailman school in San Francisco, CA, Jim was assigned to the USS LST 979 as a Seaman First Class. His job was to ensure the 110 enlisted men, 10 officers and captain received their mail. He spent 18 months in the Pacific. He remembers "it was really an experience to serve in China." He was out to sea when the war ended in September 1945.

Jim was the proud recipient of a Quilt of Valor on November 18, 2018.

After leaving the Navy in 1946, Jim returned to Kansas City, finished high school and continued his vocational training in the printing trade from which he retired after 40 years. He and his wife, Joan, who passed in 2018, raised three children. After retiring, Joan encouraged Jim to locate his former shipmates for an LST 979 reunion. Together they hosted the first of what continues today as the annual LST 979 reunion.

Alexander Doniphan Daughters are very proud of James E. Tierney and honored to recognize him as Patriot of the Month for his dedicated patriotic service to his community and our great nation.