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Patriot of the Month

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**Mark Raymond Hawley**  
**United States Air Force**



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It was May 27, 1970. Mark Hawley was 22 years old, recently married, living in Bowling Green, Kentucky while attending Western Kentucky University. The Vietnam War was in full force. Mr. Hawley joined the Air Force.

SGT Hawley's initial training and service was B52 Bomber maintenance. After training he was stationed at Barksdale Air Force, Louisiana. During his Air Force career SGT Hawley was also stationed at Malmstrom Air Force Base, Great Falls, Montana. At Malmstrom, SGT Hawley was trained as a Pharmacy Specialist.

What was the most challenging part of SGT Hawley's service? While at Barksdale Air Force Base, in 1972 shortly after the birth of his first daughter, SGT Hawley was given 24 hour notice to be on a plane to Utapao, Thailand. His squadron lived in tents, worked 12 hour days maintaining B52s for continuous bombing raids over Vietnam. The raids lasted for months.

SGT Hawley returned to his wife and daughter in Louisiana, had another daughter, and finished his University degree at Louisiana Tech.

Cornelia Greene Daughters are very proud of Mark Hawley and honored to recognize him as Patriot of the Month for his dedicated patriotic service to his community and our great nation.

