

Missouri State Society Daughters of the American Revolution

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Patriot of the Month

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Raymond B. Schmitz Missouri Air National Guard

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Raymond B. Schmitz graduated from Stanberry, MO High School in May 1966. In January 1967 he enlisted the MoANG at Rosecrans Air National Guard Base in St. Joseph, MO. He began basic training in March 1967 at Lackland Air Force Base in San Antonio, TX followed by Technical School at Sheppard Air Force Base, Sheppard AFB, TX, just north of Wichita Falls, TX.

After completion of basic training, Raymond was stationed at Rosecrans ANG Base for six years as a flight line mechanic working on C-97 and KC-97 airplanes. One of the highlights of his six summer camps was going to Rhein Air Base in Frankfurt, Germany in KC-97 refueling aircraft. In 1972 he was honorably discharged from the ANG as a Staff Sergeant.

He married his high school sweetheart, Debbi Berry, in February 1968 and they are the proud parents of two sons, Doug and Roger and eight grandchildren.

Raymond worked at the Allis Chalmers (Gleanor) combine plant in Independence, MO for 11 years as a lab mechanic and field test representative with prototype machines, traveling throughout the United States testing field machines. In 1979 he and his family returned to the farm in Parnell, MO where he raised cattle, hog and had row crop.

Raymond is an asset to the Gentry County community helping wherever and whenever needed. He served on the Stanberry, MO School Board for nine years, the St. Peters Catholic Church Council and as co-chairman for the annual Church Carnival. In 1994, Raymond was a member of the planning committee to develop the Gentry County Rural Water District #2 and served on the Board of Directors until he was selected as Maintenance Director for the District where he remained for 20 years. He is currently in his 25th year serving on the Gentry County Extension Council and 15 years and counting on the Gentry NRCS Board. Raymond is also a proud member of the Raymond Sager American Legion Post 260 in Stanberry, MO.

Virginia Daughters Chapter is proud to honor and recognize Raymond B. Schmitz as Patriot of the Month for his patriotism and service to our great nation.

