

# Missouri State Society Daughters of the American Revolution

Proudly Honors

Patriot of the Month

November 2022



## Raymond Folke Clauson

United States Navy

Sponsored by:

Rachel Donelson Chapter, NSDAR

Raymond Folke Clauson had graduated high school and was working for a sheet metal manufacturer in Rockford, IL, when, at the age of 20, he enlisted in the US Navy in January 1943. He did his boot-training at Farragut Naval Station in Idaho. Having been born in Illinois in farm country, he was impressed with the beautiful country in Idaho.

He was trained as a Radioman and achieved RDM2/c (Radioman 2<sup>nd</sup> Class). He served aboard ship the entire war. Some of the places he remembers from his time in the service were Sicily, Makin Island, Eniwetok Island (both in the Pacific), and Saipan.



After leaving the service in October 1945, he returned to Rockford, IL, and went back to work at the sheet metal manufacturing company. He married in 1950. He has a daughter, a son, four grandchildren, and a great-grandchild on the way.

In retirement, he and his wife lived in Florida for 25 years before moving to Missouri to be close to their daughter. Raymond is now a resident of the Veterans Home at Mt. Vernon, MO, and celebrated his 100<sup>th</sup> birthday in August.

Raymond is very proud of his Swedish heritage. Both he and his wife are pure Swedes and belonged to the First Evangel Free Church.

Rachel Donelson Chapter is honored to nominate Raymond Folke Clauson for Patriot of the Month.