Missouri State Society Daughters of the American Revolution



Proudly Honors

Patriot of the Month May 2023



Harold Wilson

United States Army

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Harold was drafted at the age of 19 to serve his country in the Vietnam war.

He went to Fort Lewis in Washington state for this basic and advanced infantry training. After 8 weeks of basic training and 8 weeks of AIT training, he was shipped to CamRonhBay Vietnam.

He was assigned to the 4th infantry division and after 3 months the 4th infantry was sent home while Harold and 4 other new guys were reassigned to the 101st Airborne and shipped to Camp Evans located near the DMZ by the border of North and South Vietnam. The camp was used as a launch point for units patrolling and assaulting into the foothills of the mountains in the west. It was also used as a logistical hub to support the numerous firebases in the mentioned areas.

Harold was pointman for his unit and that is all he will really share about his in country activity. He did say that he did not spend much time at the base. They were out in the jungle and only came in to base every 2-3 months to burn their clothes, take a shower and get new gear. Then they headed back out to work.

The men he served with worked as a unit, but he made one lifelong friend. They had each other's back and served the majority of their time together. His buddy Steve passed from his agent orange exposure 2 years ago, but they were able to see each other a few times through the years after they returned to the United States.

Harold lives with his wife at a lake in Missouri and helps as a HODAR when needed. He enjoys fishing, traveling, and throwing a great fish fry.

The Henry County Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution is proud to nominate Harold

Wilson as a Patriot of the Month and thank him for his service to our country.