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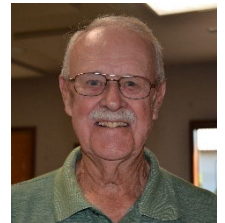
Leslie C. Mouser

United States Army

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Leslie Clyde Mouser was drafted into the United States Army on July 11, 1966. At Basic training in Ft Leonard, MO, he attended a one-week Leadership Orientation Course and was a squad leader of his basic unit. He was then promoted to E2, and because of his previous civilian job for AT&T as a Microwave technician, he was awarded a Microwave MOS. Microwave Systems Operator-Maintainers are primarily responsible for installing, operating, and maintaining microwave communications systems. They also work with associated antennas, multiplexing and communications security equipment.



In Basic training, he was the second oldest, just turning 22 two weeks after he went into the Army. They called him “The Old Man.” Les remarked, “We had a drill sergeant who was an alcoholic and I often ended up being the one responsible to take the men out on marches.”

Les was proud that he was selected to go to Leadership Orientation Class, which added 3 weeks to his basic training. Then he was sent to Ft. Bragg, North Carolina. Because there was no microwave unit there, he was assigned to a supply group, the 206th Signal Company.

He was promoted to E3 in January 1967 and married his wife that same month. He was then promoted to SPC4 in July 1967 after creating a motor pool in another unit.

He was then selected to go to France. Les remarked, “That was the time Charles de Gaulle kicked all U.S. servicemen out of France.” Therefore, he didn’t go to France. Then he was scheduled to go to Germany. He had to get top Secret Clearance and they noticed that he had 10-11 months left for his service duty. They said he would have to re-enlist to go to Germany. Les made the decision not to re-enlist, as he was married and had a son born at Womack Army Hospital at Ft. Bragg in January 1968.

His best advice that he received in the service was to be disciplined, do hard work and do it as a team.

After spending 21 months at Ft Bragg, retiring as Sergeant E5, Les returned to AT&T in July 1968. He then retired from AT&T in 1999 and enjoys golf and hunting. His love of golf is apparent, as he has achieved seven holes-in-one playing golf. He also belongs to the American Legion and Elks. Les was

proud to say that he will be married 57 years in January to Sandy, and they have three sons, Rob, Doug, and Jeff.

The Daughters of the Louisiana Purchase Chapter NSDAR are proud to nominate Leslie Clyde Mouser as Patriot of the Month and extend their gratitude for his patriotic service and commitment to our great nation.