

MISSOURI STATE SOCIETY DAUGHTERS OF THE AMERICAN REVOLUTION



Proudly Honors
PATRIOT OF THE MONTH
NOVEMBER 2025
RICHARD K. FAY
UNITED STATES AIR FORCE
SENIOR AIRMAN (E-4)
1963 – 1967



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Richard K. Fay was born in Chattanooga, Tennessee, in 1946. He was raised in a military family, his father being career Army and a WWII veteran. Rich served in the US Air Force from 1963-1967 and is a Vietnam War veteran. In a brief encounter during a layover in San Francisco on a return trip to Vietnam, he met the love of his life, MaryAnn Koeneman. MaryAnn was a St. Louis native on a trip to San Francisco with friends. Talk about fate! They were married in 1969, establishing Rich's permanent home in St. Louis. Rich and MaryAnn remained happily married until MaryAnn's untimely death in June 2023. Rich is the proud father of four children and eleven grandchildren.

Rich is long retired from the trucking industry. During his retirement years, he has expanded his volunteerism in support of the military. Rich is not only a proud veteran, but also of his military roots as well which run deep in his ancestry. He is passionate about all those who have served our country. Rich was a member of the Patriot Guard and the Legion Riders. He is a lifetime member of the Veterans of Foreign Wars and a member of the American Legion. Rich is a member of the Sons of the American Revolution and a member of the Descendants of Valley Forge.

Rich started and runs a veteran's coffee group at his senior living facility, Twin Oaks in Wentzville, Missouri. Rich is passionate in his support for his fellow veterans, advocating for their benefits and even coordinating his appointments at the Veterans Administration (VA) with others who need transportation or companionship for their appointments.

The Daughters of the Caroline Close Stuart Chapter, NSDAR, are proud to nominate Richard Fay as Patriot of the Month and extend gratitude and appreciation for his patriotic service and commitment to our nation.