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Patriot of the Month



**Dorothy
Markin**

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Dorothy Markin was born August 12, 1921 in St. Louis, Missouri. She graduated from Sullivan High School in 1939. Dorothy joined the Women's Air Corps on November 11, 1943. She remembers riding the train from St. Louis, Missouri to Des Moines, Iowa for basic training. As it was November, it was very cold and there was no heat on the train. After basic training, she was assigned to Seymour Johnson Field, Goldsboro, North Carolina.

Dorothy transferred to England. When she departed the airplane, she could see large craters in the ground left by bombs. She spent almost nine months at the Base Air Depot Area Headquarters outside Manchester, England. Dorothy was a telephone operator. She was discharged on April 6, 1945 at Charleston, North Carolina.

Dorothy's medals include:

- Good Conduct Medal
- Overseas Medal

When Dorothy returned to Missouri, she went to work for the Ozark Central Telephone Company in Union, Missouri.

Dorothy met and married her first husband in New York during the war. She has been widowed three times and has five children, eighteen grandchildren, and eighteen great grandchildren.

Dorothy attends St. Joseph Neier Catholic Church. She is a member of the Red Hat Society.