



Missouri State Society
Daughters of the American Revolution

Patriot of the Month; October 2009
Roy Eckhardt



The Missouri State Society NSDAR is pleased to honor Roy Eckhardt of Moberly, Missouri, as a Patriot of the Month for October 2009.

Roy graduated in 1939 from Wellman Iowa High School and was drafted into the Army on September 10, 1942, and had basic training at Camp Robinson, Arkansas. He then went to Camp Butner, North Carolina, with the Field Artillery, where he elected to transfer into the Army Air Force School at San Antonio, Texas. In October, 1944, he was sent to the European Theater Operations in Italy.

Roy returned to the states on December 10, 1945, and was discharged in Chicago with the rank of Staff Sergeant. He re-enlisted March 1, 1948, in

the Air Force and was stationed at Travis Air Force Base in California, Tinker Air Force Base in Oklahoma, and then in Tennessee. He was discharged in October, 1953, as a Tech Sergeant.

Roy bought a farm in Randolph County in 1954, and moved to Cairo, Missouri, to do general farming. Roy was married to Maurine Hughes of Sedalia, Missouri, on October 3, 1944, and they had one son. He has one grand-daughter and two great-grandchildren. Maurine passed away in 1991, and he married Carol Williams-Wright of Moberly, Missouri, in December 1998. He is a member of Central Christian Church, VFW, and Eagles Lodge.

The members of Armstrong Chapter sponsored Roy as a Patriot of the Month and thank him for his service to our country.