

**Missouri State Society Daughters of the American Revolution
Proudly Honors**



Patriot of the Month

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Frank E. Dendish

United States Marine Corps

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Frank entered the United States Marine Corps at Camp Pendelton, California in 1968. He served in Vietnam from June 1969 until May 1970. He was stationed at Marine Corps Air Station Cherry Point in North Carolina before attending Drill Instructor School and completing his enlistment at Camp Pendelton.

Frank's medals include the Rifle Marksman Badge, National Defense Medal, Vietnam Service Medal with two stars, Combat Action Ribbon, Vietnam Campaign Medal with Device, Vietnam Cross of Gallantry with Palm and the Good Conduct Medal. He says of one favorite memory 'While in Vietnam, one of the few times we were back in the rear with gear, there was to be a Bob Hope show. I'd always watched this type of show on TV when I was younger at home or in school. I always thought this was so cool that Bob Hope would do this for our troops. We had been on perimeter watch at night, so we came in from the field to fill our packs with C-rations, ammo and water and be back in position for that night. While we were in the field our CO came around and picked every other Marine to go to the show. I didn't make the pick and was really disappointed. While I didn't get picked for the show, the good news is that I survived the conflict which was even better!'

Frank is a former ARMCO Steel worker and life member of both the VFW and VVA. He has two sons, three grandchildren and three great grandchildren.

While Alloe Daughters are very proud and honored to recognize Frank Dendish as Patriot of the Month for his very dedicated service and patriotism to our great nation.