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Dexter, Missouri - Joe Weber has proudly served Dexter as Mayor for 14 years. He established the Stoddard county Association for Retarded Citizens (ARC) and the city's longest business downtown reflects his family's name, Weber's Ben Franklin Store. He also served in the Air Force serving in the Korean War.

On Wednesday Lieutenant Governor Peter Kinder announced the winners of the 2016 Veterans Service Awards. Weber was selected from over 100 nominees for this special honor. He was nominated by Hillary Starnes, Executive Director of the Chamber of Commerce in Dexter.

Missouri Lieutenant Governor Peter Kinder announced 34 winners of the 2016 Lieutenant Governor's Veterans Service Award, which recognizes Missouri veterans who provide exemplary volunteer service to their communities.

Kinder started the award in 2012 and has received more than 700 nominations from around the state. Winners will be honored with an official declaration from the lieutenant governor. "One of the greatest honors I have as Missouri's lieutenant governor is recognizing and honoring the service our veterans provide their families, friends, and neighbors in our great state," Kinder said. "Once again, we had an exceptional group of nominations this year, and I look forward to meeting these hometown heroes and getting to know them a bit better.

It truly is an honor to be able to shine the spotlight on their stories of sacrifice and service to their communities. Not only did these veterans answer the call to serve their country, but all our nominees continue to inspire others back home with their volunteerism.”

The winners and their nominators are:

Eastern Missouri Winners

Joe Clark of Canton

(RSVP at Douglass Community Services)

Bill Henson of Farmington

(Andrew Moore, disabled Veterans’ Representative for the Missouri Department of Economic Development)

Ralph Maxwell of Potosi

(Francis Sancegraw, commander of VFW Post 6996 in Potosi)

Bobby McIntyre of Old Monroe

(American Legion Post 323 in Wentzville)

Carl Neupert of Wentzville

(Missouri Rep. John McCaherty of High Ridge)

Ronn Pashia of Hannibal

(Missouri Rep. Lindell Shumake of Hannibal)

Joseph Paulter of Union

(Catherine Christensen, administrator of the Union Senior Center)

James Price of Mill Springs

(Charles Carter of Mill Springs)

Benjamin Tanner of Sikeston

(Missouri Rep. Holly Rehder of Sikeston)

Rochelle Webber-Williams of St. Louis

(The Rev. Everett Thomas, mayor of Northwoods)

Joe Weber of Dexter

(Dexter Chamber of Commerce)

Rick Weirich of St. Clair

(Missouri Rep. Dave Hinson of St. Clair)

Elson Williams of St. Louis

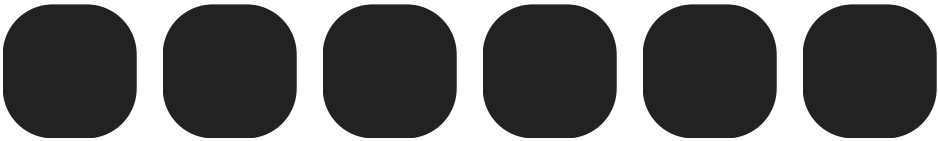
(St. Louis Vet Center)

Dale “Woody” Woodard of St. Ann

(Elizabeth Pawloski of the Oasis Institute in St. Louis)

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