ALL GAVE SOME; SOME GAVE ALL

This week's veteran is Tom Adermann.

Tom was drafted in December of 1950 during the Korean War. He had graduated from Assumption High School in 1946. The Korean war began on June 25, 1950, when North Korea invaded South Korea and ended July 27, 1953. The Americans fired their first shots of the War on July 5, 1950. Tom remembers not knowing of Korea when the conflict started, but by March of 1951, he was there. Fort Leonard Wood was the site of his basic training where he was trained as an engineer. Tom joined the 7th Division, 31st Regiment in March of 1951 in Korea. Because Tom had taken typing in high school, he was transferred from a front line engineering company to a service company and became company clerk. Some of the areas where he was stationed were Chunchon, Inchon, and Chechon. After serving in Korea for nine months, which gave him the 36 points necessary to come home, Tom returned to the States. He was discharged at Camp Atterberry, Indiana in September of 1952. Tom was awarded the Good Conduct Medal.

Tom married Olga Potsick Adermann in 1958 who is deceased. He has two living children and one deceased, five grandchildren, and four great granddaughters. After being discharged, Tom farmed west of Assumption. For about fifty years, starting with the Assumption Centennial Parade in September of 1953, Tom carried the American Flag for the VFW Color Guard.

Thank you, Corporal Thomas Adermann, for what you gave for us. Dates to remember: