

## KDS Graduate is Alabama State Regent

For the first time in the 94-year history of Kate Duncan Smith DAR School in Grant, a graduate is the State Regent of the Alabama Society DAR. Tammy Bradshaw Clemons was installed as State Regent of the Alabama Society Daughters of the American Revolution in June of 2018 during the 127<sup>th</sup> NSDAR Continental Congress in Washington, D.C. Her three-year term as leader of 69 Alabama DAR chapters with 4,357 members will last until June of 2021.



Tammy is a 1981 graduate of KDS DAR School, one of only two DAR Schools in the country.

“To be a graduate of KDS and to carry on that legacy of patriotism and national pride through my service to the DAR is truly special for me,” said Clemons.

Tammy joined the National Society Daughters of the American Revolution in 2007. She currently serves the National Society as Vice Chair, DAR Schools Tour. Her previous national service includes being the President General’s Advisor to the KDS DAR School Board of Trustees and Vice Chair for the Registration Line at Continental Congress, both in 2013-2016.

Prior to being elected Alabama State Regent, Tammy held the office of First Vice Regent from 2015-2018 and held state chairmanships for the Membership

Committee and the DAR School Committee. She served as Regent of the Gunter Mountain Chapter, NSDAR, from 2011-2013.

“I am proud to be from Grant and to have attended KDS DAR School, and being State Regent gives me the opportunity to share the story of our special school with DAR members from across the country,” said Clemons.

Tammy graduated from Austin Peay State University in 1987 with a Bachelor’s of science in medical laboratory technology. She has been a registered medical laboratory technologist for 31 years, 26 of those years in the Blood Bank Department at Huntsville Hospital where she is currently the lead blood bank technologist at the 941 bed facility.

Tammy and her husband David, an award winning amateur rose hybridizer, grow more than 250 exhibition roses in their rose garden at their home in Grant and exhibit them on the local, state, and national level. In honor of their 20<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary, David named his newest award winning rose the “Tammy Clemons”.

Tammy has one son, Chris, a 2008 graduate of Kate Duncan Smith DAR School and a 2013 graduate of Auburn University. Tammy’s parents, Jimmy and Faye Bradshaw, are both KDS graduates and still reside in Grant.

“As a little girl attending KDS, I always looked up to the DAR ladies who visited our school and supported the students. I am honored to now be part of this organization that does so much for so many,” said Clemons.