



December 2025
Stratford Veterans Museum
VETERAN OF THE MONTH

GEORGE HANGOS



George Hangos is a founding member of the Stratford Veterans Museum serving as a board member who takes part in most every function at the museum. He is especially helpful in keeping the monthly committee meetings moving along and finishing on time.

George was a standout athlete throughout his life. Beginning with youth baseball and basketball. At Bassick High School in Bridgeport, CT he excelled in football and baseball. He was a member of the City Championship Baseball Team in 1958 and 1959. He continued playing softball as an adult and was part of the championships in the Industrial Softball League in 1968 and 1969. He was inducted into the Connecticut State Slow Pitch Hall of Fame. George went on to be a coach, referee, and umpire for youth sports.

Before he started his adult softball career, George served 4 years on active duty in the United States Navy entering boot camp in 1961. Following boot camp, he was assigned to the Lakehurst Naval Air Station Fleet Air Ship Wing 1 (blimps) as a Yeoman, scheduling flight operations. That winter, he was transferred to the Mayport, Florida Naval Station, continuing to work in flight operations. George took to sea on board the aircraft carrier USS Shangra-La and visited some great liberty ports including Cannes France, Naples Italy, Greece, the Greek Island of Rhodes, and Istanbul Turkey. Returning home to Mayport, Florida he passed through the Straits of Messina. George finished his career in the Navy in New York City as a Master at Arms at the end of 1962. He attained the rank of Yeoman, Petty Officer 3rd Class, being Honorably Discharged on January 15, 1963. The Stratford Veterans Museum is proud to honor George Hangos as Veteran of the Month, December, 2025 for his dedicated service to our nation and the Stratford Veterans Museum.