



## **SPECIAL GENERAL ORDER NO. 1 SERIES 2018-2019**

**AUXILIARY TO SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR**

### **Passing of Past National President Marion Eggert Combs**

By the authority vested in me as National President of the Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and the National Constitution, Rules and Regulations, it is hereby ordered as follows:

Section 1: It is with deepest regret that I report the death of our most senior Past National President Marion Eggert Combs of Upland, California on August 31, 2018 at the age of 98 years.

Section 2: Marion Eggert was born in Lawrenceville, New Jersey in 1920 and lived there most of her life. In 1942 Marion married Fred H. Combs, Jr. and together they had two daughters. During World War II she worked as Assistant Clerk of the local Selective Service Board and volunteered as assistant of Civil Defense.

Section 3: Marion became a member of Auxiliary No. 18 in Trenton, New Jersey in 1942. She was elected to many offices in her local Auxiliary and the Department of New Jersey, including three terms as Department President.

Section 4: Many pictures were taken by Marion at national events when Fred was Editor of *The Banner* and she devoted many hours to the work of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War when he was the National Secretary-Treasurer, Membership-at-Large Coordinator and ultimately Commander-in-Chief.

Section 5: Elected National President of the Auxiliary at the 91<sup>st</sup> Annual National Encampment in Des Moines, Iowa in August 1977, Marion presided at the National Encampment in Grand Rapids, Michigan the following August. As National President she recommended the establishment of the Honor Roll, Membership-at-Large and Life Membership programs. These programs were adopted and she was the proud carrier of Life Membership #1.

Section 6: Upon retirement, Marion and Fred moved to Florida. After Fred passed away in December 1996, she moved to Upland, California to live with her daughter, where she continued to keep in touch by mail and telephone with relatives and friends who had meant so much to her during her lifetime.

Section 7: The Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War extends its sincere condolences to Marion's family and friends.

Section 8: All Charters are to be draped in black for a period of thirty (30) days.

Section 9: All Sisters are respectfully directed to attach a black mourning ribbon to their membership badge for a period of thirty (30) days.

The foregoing Special General Order is proclaimed this second day of September, in the year of our Lord two thousand eighteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred and forty-third, in the city of Wonewoc, County of Juneau, State of Wisconsin.

/s/ Denise Bernadine Oman, PNP  
National President, ASUVCW

ATTEST:

By: /s/ Rachelle M. Campbell, PNP  
National Secretary, ASUVCW