



SPECIAL ORDER No. 1  
Series 2011—2012

PASSING OF SISTER EILEEN COOMBS

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

Section 1: It is my sad duty to report the passing of Past National President, Sister Eileen Coombs on September 19, 2011 in Rocky Hill, Connecticut at the age of 86 years.

Section 2: Eileen was a Member of the Gen. George Foster Shepley Auxiliary #2, Portland, Maine. She was Initiated at the age of 16, and was a Member in Good Standing for 70 years. She served as Department President, was the National Treasurer for many years, and served as National President in 1971.

Section 3: Eileen was also the wife of Past Camp Commander Dexter Coombs.

Section 4: The Department and all Auxiliary Charters are to be draped in black for a period of thirty (30) days.

Section 5: All Department Sisters are respectfully directed to attach a black mourning ribbon to their membership badge for a period of thirty (30) days.

Section 6: The National Auxiliary extends its sincere condolences to the family of Sister Coombs and to the Sisters of her Auxiliary.

Section 7: A Wake will be held on Sunday, September 25, 2011 from 3 p.m. until 6 p.m. at the Peter J. Barrett Funeral Home, 1328 Warwick Avenue, Warwick, Rhode Island 02888. (401) 463 – 9000. Funeral services will be Monday, September 26, 2011 at 10 a.m. at the Pilgrim Lutheran Church, 1817 Warwick Avenue, Warwick, Rhode Island 02889. (401) 739-2937.

Section 8: Remembrances and cards may be sent to her granddaughter, Debbie Reirdon at 3 Kelly Avenue, Wethersfield, Connecticut, 06109. Donations in Sister Eileen's name can be made to the American Liver Foundation, 1425 Pompton Avenue, Cedar Grove, New Jersey 07009.

The foregoing Special Order is proclaimed this 23rd day of September in the year of our Lord Two Thousand Eleven, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-fifth, in Middletown Township, County of Dauphin, State of Pennsylvania by Anne Jaster, National President, Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

*By Order Of:*  
Anne Jaster, National President

*Attest:*  
Patricia G. Bures, National Secretary