

# CARLIN CAMP DISPATCH

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Members of the SUVCW during a recent meeting of the General William Passmore Carlin Camp (l-r: Dept. Commander Tad Campbell, Camp members – Dave Davis, Don Guidici, Brian Worcester, Gary Parrott, Frank Wood and Camp Commander Paul Washeleski) proudly display the camp flag (photo by Aux. SUVCW - Dr. Mary E. Walker No. 52 President-Rachelle Campbell).

## Camp No. 25 Elections Held for the Upcoming Year

During the December meeting of the *Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War* - General William Passmore Carlin Camp No. 25, elections were held for all camp offices. This annual event was conducted at the current Camp Headquarters in Gardnerville, Nevada.

Presiding over the event was outgoing Camp Commander Gary Parrott, assisted by his staff. Also present was SUVCW-Department of California and the Pacific Commander Tad Campbell (he was also the Department Installation Officer).

Additionally, present and providing valuable assistance were members of the local *Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War* – Dr. Mary E. Walker No. 52 (President-Rachelle M. Campbell and Trustee-Lori C. Parrott).

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## Camp Members to Attend 120<sup>th</sup> Dept. Encampment

On March 24 - 25, 2006, the *Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War* Department of California and the Pacific will meet for their 120<sup>th</sup> Annual Department Encampment in Las Vegas, Nevada.

Attending this event will be numerous National and Department officers, delegates, guests and VIPs.

Additionally, in attendance will be several members of the General William Passmore Carlin Camp No. 25.

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Newly installed Camp Commander Paul Washeleski received a congratulatory handshake from Department Commander - Tad Campbell (l-r: Dept. Commander Campbell and Camp Commander Washeleski).

### Camp Elections - cont.

After confirmation that a quorum of Camp No. 25 members were present and accounted for, the election of Camp officers for the 2006 term got underway (i.e. - nominations were made, discussions were heard and votes were cast).

The following are the elected officers of Camp No. 25 for the coming year: Camp Commander-Paul Washeleski; Camp SVC-Gary Parrott; Camp JVC-Frank Wood; and, Camp Secretary/Treasurer-Brian Worcester (for a complete list of all Camp officers refer to Page 6).

Upon completion of the election process, SUVCW-Dept. of California and the Pacific, Commander-Tad Campbell served as the authorized Department Installation Officer and administered the oath of office to each of the incoming Camp officers.

It should be noted Camp No. 25 was fortunate and honored to have Commander Campbell present for the installation of its newly elected officers (because usually this time of year there is a major Winter snow storm occurring and all the roads are closed !!).

# PCC Attends Aux. SUVCW Installation

On January 28, 2006, the General William P. Carlin Past Camp Commander Gary Parrott and his wife (Lori Parrott) attended the *Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War - Dr. Mary E. Walker No. 52's 2006 Installation Ceremony and Banquet*, held at the Biltmore Hotel and Convention Center in Santa Clara, California.

Present during this auspicious event were many members of the Aux. SUVCW, family members, guests and members of the SUVCW.

Representing the SUVCW-Department of California and the Pacific (in addition to Brother Parrott) were: Dept. Commander-Tad Campbell and Dept. Newsletter Editor - Dan Earl.

During the Aux. SUVCW installation ceremony, Lori Parrott was sworn into office as a Trustee of the Dr. Mary E. Walker No. 52 (she has provided valuable assistance to Camp No. 25 many times over the past several years).

The *Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War* was formed in 1883 to assist the SUVCW, to perpetuate the memory of the soldiers, sailors and marines that fought to preserve the Union during the Civil War, to ensure that Memorial Day is properly observed and to perpetuate patriotism.

Presiding over the installation ceremony was SUVCW-Department of California and Pacific, Commander Tad Campbell and Aux. SUVCW - Mary E. Walker No. 52, President-Rachelle

### 120<sup>th</sup> Encampment - cont.

Members from Camp No. 25 planning to attend all or some of the 120<sup>th</sup> Department Encampment will be Camp Commander Paul Washeleski, Gary Parrott and Brian Worcester.

This year's event will be hosted by the William B. Keith Camp No. 12 of Las Vegas, Nevada.

It should be noted this is the first time in many, many years that the Department Encampment will be held outside of California.

## The S. U. V. C. W.

The *Sons of the Union Veterans of the Civil War* (SUVCW) was formed in 1881 as the potential successor to the *Grand Army of the Republic* (GAR). Its purpose was to ensure the continuance of the mission and goals started by the GAR. It was originally called: *The Sons of Union Veterans*. The name was changed in 1925 to further identify its heritage.

Prior to the disbanding of the GAR (when the last surviving members died), the SUVCW was officially designated the legal heir to the GAR on August 20, 1954.

Currently, the SUVCW is composed of 26 Departments (each contain Camps located within one of more states in a geographical region), 5 Camp-at-Large organizations (for the states of AZ, GA, NC, OR and WA) and a National Membership-at-Large organization (for those states that do not have Camp or Department status). Total membership is approximately 6,000 Brothers in good standing.

In addition, the SUVCW is associated with several Allied Orders. These include: *Sons of Veterans Reserve*, the *Auxiliary of the SUVCW*, *Daughters of the Union Veterans of the Civil War*, *Woman's Relief Corps* and the *Ladies of the GAR*.

For additional information go to:

[www.suvcw.org](http://www.suvcw.org)

## Aux. SUVCW - cont.

Campbell.

Membership in the *Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War* is open to all wives of current members of the SUVCW, descendants (direct or collateral) of Union Veterans of the Civil War or past members of the *Grand Army of the Republic*.

For additional information on the Aux. SUVCW or current details on membership and activities go to the web-site at:

[www.asuvcw.org](http://www.asuvcw.org)

## Highlights of December Meeting

On December 11, 2005, the General William P. Carlin Camp held its final meeting of the year. The gathering was held at Camp Headquarters in Gardnerville.

Many items of interest were discussed during the course of the afternoon. In addition to the normal business items (the commander's report, the secretary-treasurer's report, various committee reports, the Graves Registration Project status report, etc.), a major portion of the meeting was devoted to the election of Camp officers for the coming year.

Camp Historian Dave Davis gave a detailed report on the progress of his research on the history of the local GAR Posts in Northern Nevada.

Also discussed was the participation of Camp Commander Gary Parrott during the Nevada Day Parade (held in Carson City on October 29, 2005) with the Comstock Civil War Re-enactors (this was the same group that has assisted Camp No. 25 in the past during several special events at the Lone Mountain Cemetery in Carson City, Nevada).

Presiding over the meeting was Camp Commander Gary Parrott, with assistance from Sr. Vice Commander (and Past Camp Commander) Paul Washeleski.

Other members present at the meeting were: David Davis, Don Guidice, Frank Wood and Brian Worcester. All others were excused for valid reasons.

Special guests included SUVCW-Department of California and the Pacific, Commander-Tad Campbell and Aux. SUVCW-Dr. Mary E. Walker No. 52, President-Rachelle Campbell.

Upon completion of the routine Camp business Commander

Campbell acted as Installation Officer for the newly elected Camp officers (for details refer to the article on Page 1).

It should be noted that last year the Department Installation Officer was unable to make it due to a major Winter snow storm (which is normal for this time of year !!).

With all business completed the meeting was adjourned after the setting of the date and time for the next Camp meeting (refer to *Upcoming Events* on Page 5).

## New Member of Camp No. 25

The *Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War*: Department of California and the Pacific – General William Passmore Carlin Camp No. 25 are pleased to announce its newest member:

### *Richard M. Whiston*

He has demonstrated a genuine interest in preserving Civil War Heritage and the memory of the soldiers, sailors and marines ("*The Boys in Blue*") who fought to preserve the Union during the Civil War: 1861 – 1865..

Additionally, Brother Richard has successfully provided documented evidence that he is a descendant (direct or co-lateral) of a Union soldier, sailor or marine who honorably served and was honorably discharged (or died while in actual service to the United States of America).

Furthermore, he has subscribed to the purpose, mission and goals of the *Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War* and subsequently, is now a member in good standing of the General William Passmore Carlin Camp.

*Welcome, Brother!*

# The Latest *SUVCW* National News

## Message From the Editor

*Dear Brothers,*

Well, it is the start of a new year and with that comes the end of my term of service as your Camp Commander.

I enjoyed my time as Camp Commander and hope all my predecessors have the "equal to or greater amount" of fun I had !!

Oh yeah, it was a lot of work, but it was very worthwhile ..... and a labor of love.

I wish to thank all of my staff, especially - Paul, Brian and Dave for all of their dedication and efforts. Again, many thanks !!

And to all of the members that participated in the various Camp activities during the course of the past year, especially - Don, Frank and Tyrone. Keep up the good work !!

I now turn the Camp "gavel" back over to Brother Paul - *our Camp founding father*. He "knows the drill" and will be a great Camp Commander.

This will give me more time to spend on my other duties as - Department Junior Vice Commander, GAR Highway Officer (both National and Department !!), Camp Graves Registration Officer and of course as - the Camp Newsletter editor.

Already, my calendar for 2006 is starting to fill up (the Department Encampment in March, Memorial Services in April and May, GAR Highway road trip in July, the National Encampment in August and Veterans Day Services in November.

Once again, many thanks to all the Camp members that assisted me during the past year. If I specifically left anyone out I apologize for the oversight.

Finally, always remember the members of our Country's Military. They are doing their duty.... let us do our duty to never forget their sacrifices and the sacrifices of their predecessors - *The Boys in Blue*.

*F, C & L,*

**Gary E. Parrott**

*Publisher and Editor*

The following is the latest information, announcements, Press Releases and General Orders from the National Organization of the *Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War*:

## National Officers 2005 - 2006

The below is a partial list of the current SUVCW-National Officers elected and/or appointed during the 124<sup>th</sup> National Encampment. For a complete list go to the SUVCW Website ([www.suvcw.org](http://www.suvcw.org)).

### **Commander-in-Chief**

- Donald E. Darby (Chillicothe, OH)

### **Sr. Vice Commander-in-Chief**

- James B. Pahl, PDC (Mason, MI)

### **Jr. Vice Commander-in-Chief**

- Charles E. Kuhn (E. Berlin, PA)

### **National Secretary**

- Michael Bennett, PDC (White Plains, NY)

### **National Treasurer**

- Max L. Newman (Owosso, MI)

### **National Quartermaster**

- Danny Wheeler, PCinC (Ithaca, NY)

### **Council of Administration (1 of 12 voting members)**

- D. Brad Schall (Lincoln, CA)

### **National Color Bearer**

- Glen Roosevelt (Anaheim Hills, CA)

### **National GAR Highway Officer**

- Gary E. Parrott (Mammoth Lakes, CA)

### **National Graves Registration Officer**

- Bob Lowe, PDC (El Cajon, CA)

### **National Committee on Amer. & Ed.**

- Jerry R. Sayre (Fallbrook, CA)

### **National Committee on Legislation**

- Daniel R. Earl (San Jose, CA)

## 125<sup>th</sup> Annual Encampment of the Allied Orders of the Grand Army of the Republic

The *Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War* are pleased to announce its 125<sup>th</sup> Annual National Encampment to be held at the Hilton Harrisburg Towers in historic Harrisburg, Pennsylvania, August 10-13, 2006.

The planned activities for this year's event include: a Campfire Gathering on Friday evening; business meetings on Friday and Saturday morning; Memorial Service at the Gettysburg Battlefield (located nearby); a Commander-in-Chief's Dinner (Saturday night at the convention center); and several Gettysburg Battlefield tours.

This year's event is being hosted by the Department of Pennsylvania and will be in conjunction with the encampments of several Allied Orders of the Grand Army of the Republic (the Woman's Relief Corps, the Auxiliary to the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War and the Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic).

It should be noted this is the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the re-dedication of the GAR Memorial on the Gettysburg Battlefield. So come and participant in this historic gathering.

For further details and cost of this event refer to the current issue of *The Banner* newsletter or go to the *Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War* Website ([www.suvcw.org](http://www.suvcw.org)).

All members and associates are encouraged to attend this gala and special event. See you there.

## Department of California and the Pacific News

The following is the latest information from the SUVCW – Department of California and the Pacific:

### Upcoming Camp Events

- The next meeting of the General William Passmore Carlin Camp will be on February 12, 2006, at 1:00 PM at Camp No. 25 Headquarters (1305 Wheeler Way, Gardnerville, Nevada. All members, associates, junior members and perspective members are encouraged to attend.

- A special Lincoln Birthday Cerebration will be conducted during the February meeting.

\* Note: the change of the time of the meeting is 1:00 pm.

For additional information contact Camp Commander Paul Washeleski (775) 265-2950 or via e-mail: [paulww@charter.net](mailto:paulww@charter.net)

\*For further information go to Web Page at: [www.suvcw.org](http://www.suvcw.org)

### What's New at the National SUVCW Quartermaster's Office

All members in good standing are eligible to purchase various SUVCW logo items and other items through the National Quartermaster's Office.

The Quartermaster's Office has a large selection of merchandise for purchase, which include: membership badges, service bars, neckties, various insignia, decals, books, jewelry, membership certificates, letterhead stationery, membership rosette, various ritual books, CDs, etc.

For additional information refer to the most current issue of *The Banner* or go to the SUVCW Website ( [www.suvcw.org](http://www.suvcw.org) ). consideration and inclusion on the ballot.

### Department Officers 2005 - 2006

#### Commander

- *Tad D. Campbell* (Gilroy, CA)

#### Junior Vice-Commander

- *Gary E. Parrott* (Mammoth Lakes, CA)

#### Department Council

- *D. Brad Schall*, PDC (Lincoln, CA)  
Chairman (term expires 2006)

- *Glen L. Roosevelt* (Anaheim Hills, CA)  
Member (term expires 2007)

#### Patriotic Instructor

- *William Tisch* (Santee, CA)

#### Historian

- *Robert L. Nelson* (Santa Cruz, CA)

#### Guide

- *Paul Washeleski* (Gardnerville, NV)

#### Color Bearer

- *Charlie Mabie* (Newark, CA)

#### Civil War Memorials Officer

- *Kirby R. Morgan* (Coarsegold, CA)

#### Grand Army of the Republic Highway Officer

- *Gary E. Parrott* (Mammoth Lakes, CA)

#### Department Newsletter (*The California Column*) Editor

- *Daniel R. Earl* (Gilroy, CA)

#### Senior Vice-Commander

- *Jerry R. Sayre* (Fallbrook, CA)

#### Secretary-Treasurer (term expires 2007)

- *J. Thomas Smith* (Elk Grove, CA)

*Alan E. Peterson*, PDC (Las Vegas, NV)

Member (term expires 2005)

#### Chaplin

- *Ernest L. Powell* (Fallbrook, CA)

#### Counselor

- *Daniel R. Earl* (Gilroy, CA)

#### Guard

- *John P. Patchin* (Los Molinos, CA)

#### Graves Registration Officer

- *Bob Lowe*, PDC (El Cajon, CA)

#### Eagle Scout Certificate Coordinator

- *Al Peterson*, PDC (Las Vegas, NV)

#### Signals Officer

- *Tad D. Campbell*, (Gilroy, CA)

### 120<sup>th</sup> Annual Encampment

### SUVCW-Department of California and Pacific

The *Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War* – Department of California and the Pacific are pleased to announce that the 120<sup>th</sup> Annual Department Encampment will be held at the Main Street Station Hotel and Casino in Las Vegas, Nevada, March 24-25, 2006.

The planned activities for this year's event include: a Campfire Gathering on Friday evening; Business meeting (with a business lunch session) Saturday morning; Memorial Service at the Woodlawn Cemetery (located a few blocks away from the convention center) Saturday afternoon; and a Commander-in-Chief's Dinner (Saturday night at the convention center).

This year's event is being hosted by the William B. Keith Camp No. 12 (Las Vegas, Nevada). It should be noted this is the first time in many, many years that the Department Annual Encampment has been held outside of California.

For further details and cost of this event go to the *Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War* Website ( [www.suvcw.org](http://www.suvcw.org) ) or contact Department SVC Jerry Sayre or Department Secretary J. Thomas Smith.

All members and associates are encouraged to attend this gala event. See you there !

# Another Civil War Moment

## General William P. Carlin Camp No. 25 Northern Nevada

Organized in December 2002 and officially chartered by the SUVCW – Department of California and the Pacific on August 23, 2003.

The SUVCW is a tax exempt organization pursuant to the provisions of Section 501c (4), Internal Revenue Code and all donations are fully tax deductible as permitted by the US Internal Revenue Service (Section 170, Internal Revenue Code).

The current officers & staff of Camp No. 25:

Commander - Paul Washeleski  
Sr. Vice Comdr - Gary Parrott  
Jr. Vice Comdr - Frank Wood, Jr.  
Secretary - Brian Worcester  
Treasurer - Brian Worcester  
Camp Council: Michael Curtis  
David Davis  
Donald Guidici  
Patriotic Instructor - Brian Worcester  
Chaplain - Donald Guidici  
Guide - Curtis A. Thomas  
Guard - Curtis A. Thomas  
Historian - David A. Davis  
Counselor - Gary Parrott  
Graves Registration Officer - Gary Parrott  
Civil War Memorials Officer - David Davis

**French Frank Carrick** (a native of Caledonia County, Vermont) enlisted as a private in the 4<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry Regiment (at the age of 20) on August 28, 1863. During his tour of duty, he saw much action and performed distinguished service.

On September 20, 1864, *Private Carrick* was promoted to corporal and a few months later he was transferred to Company E, where he remained until the end of the War. He was mustered out with the rest of his unit on July 13, 1865.

The below is a transcript of a letter that *F. F. Carrick* wrote and sent back home to a friend and neighbor (Lyman Hunt):

*Camp near Brandy Station  
April 24<sup>th</sup> 1864*

*Friend Lyman,*

*I received a letter from you last night and was glad to hear from you and that you was well. I am well at present. I have had the measles but I hear so I shan't have them again but you, now handsome folks, have them twice but I guess I shan't be troubled with them again.*

*We are having fine weather here now. The Army is preparing for a move somewhere. I tell you Lyman, we are going to see harsh fighting this Spring but I am good for it. I guess General Meade and I are going to try to do something this Spring. I guess he and I will clear them out this Spring. We have got a large Army here now. You go out on to a hill, the country is covered with troops as far as you can see, but this aint half as many as I wish there was.*

*We have to drill three times a day now. I have about got sick of muster. Captain R. W. Laird is coming home. I should like to be to home and taste some of your new sugar. You said you was making a lot of sugar this Spring.*

*You said Kimball Hawkins had got home. Tell him to write. I like to hear from all of the boys. I wrote to Francis but haven't heard from him. I don't know as he got the letter. If I knew where to direct the letter, would write to him again.*

*You said that there was going to be a lot of marrying there this Spring. I expect to hear that you have got hooked onto some of them. I should be round if I was there, but never mind. I will be there soon. So goodbye.*

*Give my best wishes to all*

*From French F. Carrick*

The above letter contains several Civil War references, which include:

- the 4<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry Regiment was attached to the 2<sup>nd</sup> Brigade of the 2<sup>nd</sup> Div. of the 6<sup>th</sup> Army Corps, commanded by Major General George G. Meade;
- as one of the units attached to the Army of the Potomac, the 4<sup>th</sup> was winter quartered near Brandy Station, Virginia, (from December 1863 to May 1864);
- Francis L. Chase (a neighbor and friend of both Hunt and Carrick) had enlisted as a private in Company A, 11<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry Regiment in 1862;
- official records indicate that Captain Robert W. Laird (Company H, 4<sup>th</sup> Vermont Infantry Regiment) returned home on leave April 12, 1864; and,
- the anticipation of a major battle with Confederate forces in the Spring of 1864 (the *Battles of the Wilderness* in Virginia, which occurred May 5 - 19, 1864).

## Civil War Letters



The above is a copy of an original Civil War letter written in 1864 (from the private collection of the Editor)

# Our Civil War Ancestors

## Department of Calif. & Pacific

The *Department of California and the Pacific - Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War* (SUVCW) was organized in February 1886. Its territory includes the states of California, Nevada and Hawaii.

To date, the Department is composed of 14 Camps. The oldest of which is the General Phil Sheridan Camp No. 4 (San Jose, California). It was formed on December 4, 1897.

The Department held its Annual Encampments concurrently with the GAR - *Department of California and Nevada* between 1886 and 1949 (while there were still Union Veterans living in California).

From 1950 to the present, the Department has held its Annual Encampment with one or more of the Allied Orders of the GAR.

\*For additional information go to Web Page at: [www.suvcw.org](http://www.suvcw.org)



The above is the flag of the New York Volunteer Infantry Regiment - USA (AKA: the Adirondack Regiment). *Henry A. Wood* (the Civil War ancestor of Camp No. 25 member - Frank Wood) served in Company D between 1862 and 1865. He was promoted to corporal in December 1863 and was mustered out at the end of the War in June 1865. This regiment was present at Appomattox Court House, Virginia, on April 9, 1865, and witnessed the surrender of General Robert E. Lee and the Army of Northern Virginia - CSA (the above flag is on display at the New York State Military Museum and Veterans Research Center in Albany).

\* Note: on the flag are listed the major battles fought by the 118<sup>th</sup> NYVI Regiment - Suffolk, North Anna, Cold Harbor, Bermuda, Fort Harrison, Swift Creek, Petersburg, Fair Oaks, Drury's Bluff, the Crater, and Richmond.

Soon after his 18<sup>th</sup> birthday, *Henry Augustus Wood* (Civil War ancestor of Camp No. 25 member - Frank Wood) heeded the call from President Lincoln to "preserve the Union" and enlisted in a state militia unit in Plattsburg, New York. Subsequently, he was mustered-in as a private in Company D, 118<sup>th</sup> New York Volunteer Infantry Regiment on August 7, 1862.

On September 3, 1862, upon successful completion of its organization and training, the 118<sup>th</sup> left New York to reinforce the Defenses of Washington. There it was attached to General John J. Abercrombie's Division, 22<sup>nd</sup> Corps of the US Army and performed provost duties for the next several months.

In April 1863, *Private Wood* and the rest of the regiment were ordered to Suffolk, Virginia, where he participated in the siege against the Confederate forces garrisoned there. This would be the first of many major engagements he would participate in over the next 2 years, 10 months and 23 days !!

*Henry* was a dedicated soldier and soon distinguished himself. Subsequently, he was promoted to corporal on December 25, 1863, while the regiment was stationed near Portsmouth, Virginia.

During the course of the War, *Corporal Wood* and his regiment would participate in some of the bloodiest battles, fiercest fighting and longest campaigns of this American conflict. He would witness the historic fall of Richmond, Virginia, and the surrender of General Robert E. Lee at Appomattox Court House, Virginia, in April 1865.

On June 13, 1865, *Henry Wood* and the rest of Company D, 118<sup>th</sup> NYVI Regiment were mustered-out of service in Richmond, Virginia, after a long and distinguished tour of duty.

\*Major battles: *Siege of Suffolk*, VA (April 20 to May 4, 1863), *North Anna Bridge*, VA (July 4, 1863), *Swift Creek*, VA (May 9-10, 1864), *Drury's Bluff*, VA (May 14-16, 1864), *Bermuda Hundred*, VA (May 18-26, 1864), *Fair Oaks*, VA (October 27-29, 1864), and the *Siege of Richmond*, VA (March-April 1865).

*Henry A. Wood* was born on March 22, 1844, in Warren County, New York, one of ten children of Leonard and Betsy (Signor) Wood. He grew up in rural Warren County and learned the trade of a farmer from his father.

Soon after the start of the Civil War, *Henry*, along with three of his brothers (Joseph, Wesley and Benjamin) joined various locally forming New York Volunteer Infantry companies. All but one return home after the end of hostilities (Joseph was KIA as a member of the 93<sup>rd</sup> NYVI Regt.).

*Henry* returned home soon after his release from active duty and resumed the life of a farmer in Warren County, New York. Shortly thereafter he got married (to Mary E. Ramsey) and over the years they raised four children (Joseph, Edith, Delia and Walter).

Sometime after 1880, *Henry* moved the family to Essex County, New York, where he took up the trade of a wheelwright. There he and his wife would remain for the next four decades.

In 1886 *Henry* applied for, and received, a disability pension from the US Government (Pension No. 357380). This was for ailments associated with his service in the US Army (rheumatism and heart disease).

On February 12, 1920, *Henry Wood* passed away at the age of 85. His final resting place is at the Valley View Cemetery, South Ticonderoga, New York.

It should be noted, his wife was granted a modest "widow's pension" (No. 593409) that she received until her death in 1940 !! She was laid to rest next to her husband of 54 years.

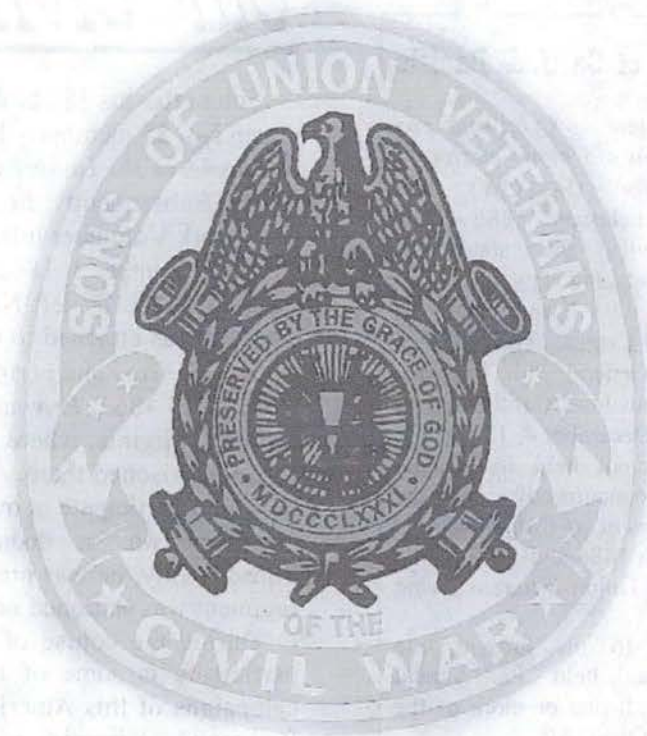
## Membership Information

Membership in the national society of the *Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War* is open to all male descendants (direct or collateral), 14 years and older who:

- are a relative of a soldier, sailor, marine or member of the Revenue Cutter Service;
- who was regularly mustered and honorably served in, was honorably discharged from, or died in the service of the United States of America or in a State regiment called to active service between April 12, 1861 and April 9, 1865.

\* For further membership information go to the SUVCW Web Page at:

[www.suvcw.org](http://www.suvcw.org)



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