

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War



Policy on Unused GAR and SUVCW Graves (17 April 2004)



Where unused graves exist in Grand Army of the Republic (GAR) or Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War (SUVCW) grave plots, these graves shall be made available for indigent veterans or indigent SUVCW member burial with an appropriate marker consistent with the markers used in the burial plot. The usage of these graves does not extend to spouses or other family members of the veteran or SUVCW member.

Each Camp and Department should take action to secure any unused GAR or SUVCW cemetery plots within their area as previously directed by the National Encampment.

Each Camp and Department possessing unused GAR or SUVCW cemetery plots shall forward to the National Graves Registration Officer, a description of the plots, including location.

The SUVCW will notify the Department of Veterans Affairs in each state regarding this policy.

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