

GENERAL ORDERS NO. 6
SERIES 2002-2003
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1. Brother Joseph S. Rippey served the SUVCW with distinction for 54 years. He served as Commander of the Department of New York twice (1958 and 1959) and was elected Commander-in-Chief twice (1963 and 1964). His death came on July 28, 2002 shortly before the 121st National Encampment of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. He was eulogized during the annual Memorial Service at the encampment by New York Department Commander Todd Shillington. This stirring tribute made it evident to those who didn't get the privilege of meeting Brother Rippey that he was not only extremely dedicated to the SUVCW but promoted the SUVCW at every opportunity.

2. It is my honor to announce that Brother Rippey's service to the SUVCW will continue even though he is no longer with us in person. On behalf of the SUVCW I accepted a check in the amount of ten thousand dollars as a bequest from the estate of Brother Rippey. As directed by Brother Rippey, this generous gift has been deposited in the SUVCW Permanent Fund.

Ordered this ninth day of December, 2002.

By Order of:
Commander-in-Chief
Robert E. Grim

Attest:
Edward Krieser, PCinC
National Secretary