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Passing of Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans Past National President Margaret Atkinson

It is my sad duty to report the death of Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans Past National President Margaret Atkinson on Saturday, July 10, 2025.

PNP Atkinson served as the Auxiliary National President with excellence from 1994 to 1996. Over the years, PNP Atkinson served in a multitude of both elected and appointed National Auxiliary officer positions. A woman of remarkable talent, PNP Atkinson served the Auxiliary for over 80 years. Her wisdom and experience in the Auxiliary were an invaluable resource to a host of Auxiliary National Presidents. As most of you know, Sister Margaret was the devoted wife of Past Commander-in-Chief Elmer "Bud" Atkinson. Brother PCinC Bud, who served as CinC in 1992, passed in 2017 at the age of 92.

A Life Celebration will be held in her honor on Saturday, July 19th, from 10:30 AM to 12:00 PM, followed by the funeral service at 12:00 PM at Bethesda Presbyterian Church, 808 Red Lion Rd, Philadelphia, PA 19115. Interment services will be held privately. A luncheon in PNP Margaret's memory will be held at Bethesda Presbyterian Church following the service.

In solemn recognition of her dedicated service, the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War's social media platforms, and the Charters of all Departments and Camps will be draped in black. All Brothers will attach a black mourning ribbon to their membership badges in remembrance of PNP Atkinson.

This Order shall remain in effect for 30 days from this date, July 13, 2025.

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Attest:

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National Secretary
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