



SPECIAL GENERAL ORDER NO. 3
SERIES 2014-2015
SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR

Passing of Real Son Luke Perkins Martin, Jr.

By the authority vested in me as Commander-in-Chief of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, the National Constitution and Regulations, and National Policies, it is hereby ordered as follows:

Section 1: It is with a heavy heart that I report the death of Real Son Luke Perkins Martin, Jr. of New Bern, North Carolina on January 25, 2015 at the age of 97 years.

Section 2: Brother Martin was a member of North Carolina Union Volunteers Camp No. 5, Department of North Carolina. His father, Luke Perkins Martin, Sr., was born into slavery and served as Private in Company G, 35th United States Colored Infantry (formerly the 1st North Carolina Colored Infantry). Private Martin saw action at the battles of Olustee, Florida and Honey Hill, South Carolina.

Section 3: Brother Martin was a retired brick mason and contractor, and had been employed as a Funeral Attendant for Oscar's Mortuary in New Bern since 1960, with his last service in August of 2014. He was also the oldest life member and Trustee of St. John M. B. Church in New Bern.

Section 4: Brother Martin is survived by two sons, Robert E. Martin, Sr. and William P. Martin, Sr. both of New Bern; two daughters, Elsie M. Staten of New Bern and Fannie Martin-Williams of the home; 13 grandchildren; 30 great-grandchildren and 13 great-great-grandchildren.

Section 5: His funeral will be held on Thursday, January 29, 2015 at noon at St. John M.B. Church, 1130 Walt Bellamy Drive, New Bern, North Carolina, with burial to follow at Greenwood Cemetery.

Section 6: The Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War extends its sincere condolences to Brother Martin's family and friends, and to the members of his Camp.

Section 7: All Charters are to be draped in black for a period of thirty (30) days.

Section 8: All Brothers are respectfully directed to attach a black mourning ribbon to their membership badge for a period of thirty (30) days.

The foregoing General Order is proclaimed this 27th day of January in the year of our Lord two thousand fifteen, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred thirty-ninth, in the City of Gilroy, County of Santa Clara, State of California.

/s/ Tad D. Campbell, PDC
Commander-in-Chief

ATTEST:
By: /s/ Alan L. Russ, PDC
National Secretary