



**SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR
DEPARTMENT OF MICHIGAN**

OFFICE OF DEPARTMENT COMMANDER



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DEPARTMENT ORDER NO: 3
SERIES: 2024-2025

DATE 13 May 2024

RE: MEMORIAL DAY 2024

Whereas, this being the 156th years since General John Logan called for a national day of remembrance for Civil War dead and issued General Order No. 11 instituting the observance of Memorial Day on May 30th:

By the authority vested in me as Commander, Department of Michigan, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, it is hereby ordered as follows:

1. I hereby call all Brothers and Camps, to the observance of Memorial Day, both the observed on Monday May 27th and the true Memorial Day on Thursday, May 30th.
2. I ask that all Brothers encourage this observance, not only through our activities, but also by actively reminding others of the real reason we commemorate this day.
3. I call on all Brothers to visit the graves of our forefathers in the Grand Army of the Republic and veterans in all conflicts, in an expression of gratitude, where so many Americans gave their last full measure to keep America united and free.
4. I also encourage Brothers to have ready, applications to join our order of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. Often at our public ceremonies on Memorial Day we encounter individuals that show interest in joining our order. Let us help find new blood to assist us in keeping green the memory of our "Boys in Blue".

This is so ordered, on the thirteenth day of May, in the year of our Lord two thousand and twenty-four and the one hundred and fifty-eight year since the founding of the Grand Army of the Republic.

In Fraternity, Charity and Loyalty

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Steve S. Martin". The signature is written in dark ink on a light-colored, slightly textured background.

Steven S. Martin, PCC
Commander, Department of Michigan
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

ATTEST:

/s/

Richard Denney, PCC
Secretary, Department of Michigan
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War