

Department of New Jersey Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

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Brothers of the New Jersey Department,

It is with sadness and compassion that I inform the New Jersey Department of the passing of Past Department Commander Robert McKnight on December 9, 2015. Brother McKnight was a member of Custer Camp #17.

Obituary for Mr. Robert Van Zandt McKnight

Robert Van Zandt McKnight of Wayside Township in Ocean, New Jersey passed away on December 9th 2015. He was born on September 9th 1930 in Englewood, Bergen County, New Jersey. He a retired Physicist/ Electronics Engineer at Fort Monmouth, New Jersey. He was a Navy combat Veteran of the Korean War and a member of the American Legion Post 346, VFW Post 2226 and the USS Lake Champlain CV-39 Association. He was the historian and past President of the Monmouth Chapter of the New Jersey Sons of the American Revolution and past Commander of the New Jersey Department of the sons of the Union Veterans of the Civil War. He was a member of Ring 34 of the International Veteran Boxer's Association and a Former member of Hook and Ladder Company Number 3 of the Fort Lee Fire Department. He was a member of the National Rifle Association and the Monmouth County Rifle and Pistol Club. He was a former Member of the American Physical Society, the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers, the Army Aviation Association, the Atmospheric Electrical Hazard Protection Committee and the Optical Society of America. He was a member of the Lakewood Maennerchor German American Club and the Empire State Masons. He was a graduate of Fairleigh Dickinson University with a Master's Degree in Science. He also completed a special program in Nuclear Engineering at The Stevens Institute of Technology.

He was predeceased by his parents, Chauncy Van Zandt McKnight, Helen Coors McKnight and a sister, Millicent McKnight Quallins. He is survived by his wife, Theresa Curtin McKnight, daughters Monica McKnight Garrison and Heather McKnight. There are three grandsons, Christopher, Michael and David.

Visitation will be held on Sunday December 13th 2015 from 2-4pm at Ely Funeral Home, 3316 Route 33 Neptune N.J. 07753. There will be a Requiem Mass December 14th 2015 at 11:00am at the Episcopal Church of Saint Michael the Archangel and interment to follow at Brigadier General William C. Doyle Veterans Memorial Cemetery in Wrightstown N.J.

Please remember Brother McKight at your next Camp meetings. Cards and Mass Cars may be sent to Mrs. Theresa McKnight, 3 Cutter Drive, Ocean, NJ, 07712.

By my order, all camp charters and membership badges will be properly draped in mourning for a period of 30 days.

In Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty,

C. J. Heagy, PCC Commander

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