



**CAMP ORDERS
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PHIL SHERIDAN CAMP NO. 4
DEPARTMENT OF CALIFORNIA AND PACIFIC
SONS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR**



ORDERS OF CAMP COMMANDER RICK T. LAROSA

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By the authority vested in me as Commander of the Phil Sheridan Camp No. 4, by the Camp Bylaws, Department of California and Pacific Bylaws, the National Constitution and Regulations, and National Policies, it is hereby ordered as follows:

Section 1: It is my sad duty to report the passing of Brother Robert Joseph “Bob” Kadlec on 30 September 2023, at the age of 82 years. Bob was born in Milwaukee, Wisconsin on 6 February 1941, son of Jaroslav “Jerry” and Ruth May (Stauff) Kadlec. Bob joined the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War on 9 September 1999 through the lineage of his great grandfather, Color Corporal Jacob Stauff of Company I, 26th Wisconsin Infantry. Bob became a Life Member in 2021.

Section 2: Brother Bob graduated with a degree in photography from Layton School of Art in Milwaukee, a BS in Aeronautics from St. Louis University, and a Masters in Business Management from Central Michigan University.

Section 3: Upon graduation from college he received his commission as an Air Force Intelligence Officer, serving primarily overseas in the Middle East and Europe with the Air Force Security Service and the Western Pacific with 8th Air Force supporting the Strategic Air Command’s Vietnam, China, and Korea RC-135 and SR-71 airborne reconnaissance operations where he served as the Executive Officer for the reconnaissance organization. Brother Bob’s military decorations include the Meritorious Service Medal, Department of Defense Joint Service Commendation Medal, Air Force Commendation Medal, and three Air Force Outstanding Unit Awards.

Section 4: Brother Bob’s civilian career involved working for Lockheed-Martin as a Systems Engineer in their Space Systems Division where he conducted research on various advanced missile systems and space related programs as well as command, control, communications and intelligence programs for the Department of Defense.

Section 5: Since his retirement from Lockheed-Martin, Brother Bob had been researching the exploits of his great-grandfather during the Civil War. Bob established a special fund with Wisconsin Veterans Museum that raised over \$4,000 for the restoration and conservation of the 26th Wisconsin Regimental Flag that was carried by his great-grandfather during General Sherman’s Atlanta Campaign and March-To-The-Sea in 1864.

Section 6: Brother Bob was a Past Commander of Phil Sheridan Camp Number 4 of the Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. In 2015 he received the SUVCW Meritorious Service

Award from the National Commander-in-Chief, as well as various other awards and commendations from his Camp.

Section 7: Brother Bob was also the proud recipient of the Man of the Year Award from the United Veterans Council (UVC) of Santa Clara County (California) for his work on Veteran activities in 2006. As Vice President of the UVC, he organized the largest Memorial Day Ceremony in Santa Clara County coordinating the participation of 41 veteran organizations and attracting over 2,000 spectators. Bob also organized a fund raising program that brought in over \$58,000 in financial contributions and in-kind donations for the UVC's 2006 Annual Veterans' Day Parade, the largest parade of its kind in Northern California.

Section 8: Bob's family is planning a funeral service for mid-October at Oak Hill Memorial Park (300 Curtner Ave., San José, CA). I will share the date and time as soon as it becomes available to me. Bob's family has respectfully requested that Brothers attending the service wear their Civil War uniforms.

Section 9: The Camp Charter is to be draped in black until the close of our Camp meeting on 4 November 2023.

Section 10: All Camp Brothers are respectfully directed to attach a black mourning ribbon to their membership badge in honor of Brother Kadlec through the close of our Camp meeting on 4 November 2023.

Section 11: The Phil Sheridan Camp No. 4 extends its sincere condolences to Bob's family and friends. Cards may be sent to: Family of Bob Kadlec, 5052 Joseph Lane, San José, CA 95118.

The foregoing Camp Order is proclaimed this 2nd day of October in the year of our Lord two thousand two thousand twenty-three, and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred forty-eighth, in the City of San José, County of Santa Clara, State of California by Rick T. LaRosa, Commander of the Phil Sheridan Camp No. 4, Department of California and Pacific, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War.

By Order of: *Rick T. LaRosa*

Rick T. LaRosa, Commander
Phil Sheridan Camp No. 4
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ATTEST *Tad D. Campbell*
Tad D. Campbell (PCinC), Secretary
Phil Sheridan Camp No. 4
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