

Commander 2004 Central Region Association of the Allied Orders of the Grand Army Margaret “Maggie” Grothe



Margaret “Maggie” Grothe was born about 1935 to Eldon L. Meek (1908-1981) and Alma Katherine Folk (1910-1985). Her siblings included June Elaine (Strimple), Lloyd Meek and Dan Meek. The 1940 census shows her as 5 years old and living with her family in Carlyle, Allen, Kansas. She graduated Coffeyville (KS) High School. She worked for a while at the Meadow Sweet Dairy in Coffeyville and starting in 1959 she worked as a bookkeeper in the First National Bank in that town.

On 25 Nov 1970, she married Jack Grothe (1940 - 2019), who apparently met her as he was attending the junior college in Coffeyville. They were married in the town’s First Presbyterian Church.

She was the Commander of the Central Region Association of the Allied Orders of the Grand Army in 2004 when the group’s convention was held in Milwaukee, WI. She was at the time past president of the Henry Harnden

Henry Harnden Auxiliary #2 Madison, Wisconsin

President Maggie Grothe of Henry Harnden Auxiliary #2, Madison, Wisconsin and her husband Br. Jack Grothe decorate graves for Christmas at Jefferson Barracks. Most of the 3,300 Unknown Graves are Union soldiers.



Auxiliary - SUVCW #2 of Madison, WI. As a member of the Allied Orders, she was always very active with her husband, Jack, who was a Lt. Colonel in the Sons of Veterans Reserve. Together along with other members of the Missouri SUVCW, she was the treasurer for the 2007 National Encampment Host Committee of the Allied Orders held in St. Louis.