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**DEPARTMENT ORDER NO. 8**  
**Series 2025-2026**  
**19 November 2025**

**Passing of Brother Robert S. Drake Jr.**

It is with this sorrow that the Department of Missouri, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, reports the passing of Brother Robert S. Drake Jr. on 13 November 2025. Brother Drake was a member of Phelps Camp #66.

Brother Drake was born in Warsaw, Missouri in 1938. He was involved in Scouting and achieved the rank of Life Scout. He was a graduate of Drury College and later attended the University of Missouri Law School, graduating in 1963. He practiced law as the Prosecuting Attorney for Benton County for 12 years. He then was the city attorney for Warsaw and Lincoln. He retired in 2007 after forty – five years of practice. He is survived by his wife Wenyan Liu Drake, four children Bob Drake III, Beth Drake, Susan Johnson and Elaine Lu Jiang. He also is survived by eight grandchildren. Funeral Services will be held on November 22, 2025, at 11:00AM at Reser Funeral Home in Warsaw, Missouri. Visitation starts at 10:00AM.

In memory of Brother Drake, the Department's Charter and website shall be draped, all Camp Charters and websites shall be draped, and all brothers shall attach a black mourning ribbon to their membership badge. Following the Department's mourning policy, this Order shall remain in effect for six days from this date.

Ordered this 19th Day of November 2025,

Mark Coplin, PCC  
Commander  
Department of Missouri  
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War

Attest:

Gary Scheel, PDC  
Secretary  
Department of Missouri  
Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War