



EMMA A. CHESTER – TENT #6

Cleveland, Ohio

ABOUT THE DUVCW

The **DAUGHTERS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR** was organized on May 30, 1885, incorporated on December 12, 1885 and granted a Federal Charter (Public Law 99-172) on December 9, 1985.

Members are daughters, granddaughters and great granddaughters of any generation of honorably discharged soldiers and sailors who served in the Union Army, Navy, Marine Corps and Revenue Cutter Service during the Rebellion of 1861 – 1865. Included also are those who were killed or died while serving in the Union armed services between April 12, 1861 and April 9, 1865.

Eligibility for membership in the **DAUGHTERS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR, 1861 – 1865** is based on the eligibility as formerly required for membership in the Grand Army of the Republic and shall be limited to daughters, granddaughters and great granddaughters of any generation.

We invite all daughters who descend from one or more Union Veterans, to honor their Veteran ancestor, by applying for membership based on documented lineal descends as stated in our National Constitution and Bylaws. This shall never be changed. The minimum age for membership shall be eight years of age.

LINKS:

The **DAUGHTERS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR** National Website is www.duvcw.org. The website has:

- General information about the organization
- Membership information and forms
- References to associated organizations.



ABOUT TENT #6

The local **DUVCW TENT – EMMA A. CHESTER TENT #6** has been based in Cleveland since January 7, 1891. Members are from North Central to North Western Ohio.

Our goals mirror those of the National **DAUGHTERS OF UNION VETERANS OF THE CIVIL WAR:**

- Honor the memory of local Union troops and civilians who fought in the Civil War.
- Foster an education of the Civil War era.
- Assist
 - Current Veterans in their needs when returning to civilian life from deployment.
 - Veterans’ families left behind by those Veterans who “Paid the Ultimate Sacrifice.”

Our email for further information: duvcw.emmachester@gmail.com

WHO WAS EMMA A. CHESTER?

Emma A. Chester, married to a member of the Grand Army of the Republic, was the president of the Brooklyn Village Women’s Relief Corps, No. 167 and a charter member of Tent #6.

The Grand Army of the Republic or GAR was formed in Decatur, Illinois shortly after the Civil War by Benjamin F. Stephenson. The GAR, the largest organization of the Union Veterans from the Civil War, promoted comradeship among veterans, worked to increase pensions, assisted war widows and orphans and maintained homes for old soldiers.

The Brooklyn Village Women’s Relief Corps, No. 167, initiated through the GAR, supported the GAR goals by working with the Grand Army of the Republic Veterans.

EMMA A. CHESTER TENT OFFICERS 2023 – 2024

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