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Pauline L. Kunz was born September 6, 1919 in Fayette County, Illinois. She was the eighth of thirteen children born to Norton and Josephine Bennett.

Pauline graduated from Vandalia (IL) High School and received her Bachelor of Science degree from Illinois State Normal University in 1942. Following graduation, she taught Home Economics at Carlyle (IL) High School for one year.

At that time, Pauline had three brothers and an older sister that had volunteered for the Armed Services and a brother-in-law had been killed in action. In October of 1943, Pauline enlisted in the Navy WAVE program. She completed her basic training at Hunter College in the Bronx, New York. She was trained as a Pharmacist's Mate and worked as a laboratory technician testing medicine.

As the war progressed, she was transferred to an Occupational Therapy unit at the Naval Hospi-

tal in St. Albans, New York. She directed therapy for returning serviceman to regain use of their limbs.

Pauline was honorably discharged from the service in May of 1946.

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WAVES at Boot Camp Bronx, New York



Physical Therapy St. Albans, New York