

THE YORK RITE  
of  
FREEMASONRY  
of  
ALABAMA

1999



GRAND ROYAL ARCH CHAPTER  
GRAND COUNCIL, ROYAL AND SELECT MASTERS  
GRAND COMMANDERY, KNIGHTS TEMPLAR

## RECEPTION

An informal reception was held on Sunday afternoon, February 21, 1999 in the Hospitality Room of the Ramada Plaza Hotel, Mobile, Alabama, as members and guests were registering in the Main Hall Area. Hostesses were Mrs. Elfrieda Snow, wife of Most Excellent Grand High Priest, Calvin C. Snow, Mrs. Ramona McDonald, Wife of the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Charles W. McDonald and Mrs. Bobbie Ferguson, Wife of Past Grand Commander Emory J. Ferguson, who served for the Grand Commander Bobby R. Terry who is not married. The above hostesses were assisted by many other wives of Alabama Grand York Rite members, and a superb reception with many sweet treats was enjoyed by everyone.

## DIVINE SERVICE

The Annual Divine Service of the Grand York Rite was held on Sunday afternoon, February 21, 1999, in the Ballroom of the Motel. The Message was delivered by the Grand Prelate, George F. Mills.

The Sir Knights marched in to the singing of "Onward Christian Soldiers." After the message was delivered, the Right Eminent Grand Commander Bobby R. Terry announced that the offering received would be donated to the Knights Templar Eye Foundation.

## THE GRAND YORK RITE BANQUET

The Grand York Rite Annual Banquet was held on Sunday evening in the Ballroom of the Ramada Plaza Hotel. After the Invocation, a delicious steak dinner was enjoyed by all.

The three Presiding Grand Officers introduced their Families, and a few Distinguished Guests who would not be present on Monday morning to be introduced.

Benny Allen, General Grand Scribe of the General Grand Chapter and Personal Representative of the General Grand High Priest of the General Grand Chapter, International was introduced and asked to present the General Grand Chapter Medal of Honor to the recipient, Companion James Eugene Goss, a member of Anniston Chapter No. 105. Companion Goss accepted the award with appreciation. The Grand Chapter of Alabama adds his name to their list of previous recipients.

The Puissant Deputy General Grand Master of the General Grand Council of Cryptic Masons, International for the South Central Region, James D. Parker, Personal Representative of the General Grand Master, Orville D. Wessler was introduced and asked to present the General Grand Council's Cryptic Mason of the Year Award to Companion Charles L. Turk of Monroeville Council No.95 who accepted the award with appreciation. His name will be added to the Grand Council of Alabama list of previous recipients. The Youth Leadership Award Medal was also presented to Louie Patrick Wetzel of Mobile Council #12. The Most Illustrious Grand Master, Charles W. McDonald award three Ish Sodi Medals to Johnny A. Baker, Harold C. Rankins and Billy Maloy all of Mobile Council #12.

The Right Eminent Grand Commander, Bobby R. Terry, then introduced William Jackson Jones, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America who presented the Knight Templar Cross of Honor to Sir Knight Henry B.

Tyra. Sir Knight Tyra, a member of Huntsville Commandery #7, expressed his appreciation for the honor of having been selected to receive this high Templar award. Right Eminent Sir Knight Jones then presented a Past Grand Commander Plaque to the Grand Commander, Bobby R. Terry, and informed him that he was now a permanent member of the Grand Encampment.

### LADIES ENTERTAINMENT

The ladies attended a brunch on Monday morning held in Ramada Plaza Hotel. The Hospitality room was open on Monday and Tuesday where the ladies met to partake of the many sweet treats and other refreshments furnished by the Wives of the Alabama Grand York Rite.

On Monday a number of the ladies went shopping at the nearby mall while others relaxed in the hospitality room or their rooms.

The tenth annual Craft Shop with donated hand-made items was open throughout the Grand Session. The Craft Shop was again organized with Mrs. Sarah Garrett and Mrs. Bobbie Ferguson as Co-Chairpersons. The total sales this year amounted to \$809.91, which was equally divided between the three Grand York Rite charities.

### KNIGHT MASONS

Vulcan Council No. 22, Knight Masons of Alabama, held their Fifteenth Annual Banquet on Monday evening, February 22, 1999 at the Mobile York Rite Temple. Following the Banquet, the Council of Anointed High Priests, the Order of the Silver Trowel and the Knight Crusaders of the Cross held their meetings and conferred their degrees and orders in the Mobile York Rite Temple Lodge room.

**ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY NINTH  
ANNUAL CONCLAVE  
OF THE  
GRAND COMMANDERY  
of  
KNIGHTS TEMPLAR  
of  
ALABAMA**

**HELD FEBRUARY 21, 22 AND 23RD, 1999**

**RAMADA PLAZA HOTEL  
MOBILE, ALABAMA**

**PRESIDING 1998-1999**

**Bobby R. Terry, *Eminent Grand Commander*  
2031 Highway 20, Decatur, AL 35603**

**Arthur C. Harding, *Eminent Grand Recorder*  
P. O. Box 100333, Birmingham, AL 35210**

**ELECTED 1999-2000**

**Joe D. Lee, *Right Eminent Grand Commander*  
405 Roundabout Drive, Trussville, AL 35173**

PROCEEDINGS  
OF THE  
ONE HUNDRED AND THIRTY-NINTH  
ANNUAL CONCLAVE OF THE  
GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF ALABAMA

The One Hundred and Thirty-Ninth Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama was declared convened by Sir Knight Bobby R. Terry, Right Eminent Grand Commander on February 23, 1999,

The Invocation was given by Sir Knight George F. Mills, Eminent Grand Prelate, followed by the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

The following Grand Commandery Officers were present and in their stations:

Sir Knight Bobby R. Terry.....	Grand Commander
Sir Knight Joe D. Lee.....	Deputy Grand Commander
Sir Knight Jesse W. Locke.....	Grand Generalissimo
Sir Knight Wayne D. Jordan.....	Grand Captain General
Sir Knight Robert T. Crawford(Absent).....	Grand Senior Warden
Sir Knight Phillip J. Sherman.....	Grand Junior Warden
Sir Knight George F. Mills.....	Grand Prelate
Sir Knight Fred W. McCluskey, Jr.....	Grand Treasurer
Sir Knight Arthur C. Harding.....	Grand Recorder
Sir Knight Anthony M. Deming(Absent).....	Grand Standard Bearer
Sir Knight Roger A. Simmons.....	Grand Sword Bearer
Sir Knight Thomas F. Craig.....	Grand Warder
Sir Knight John R. Appleton, Jr.(Absent).....	Grand Sentinel

All Sir Knights and Distinguished Guests were welcomed to the Annual Conclave by the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Bobby R. Terry.

INTRODUCTION OF PAST RIGHT EMINENT GRAND COMMANDERS

The following Past Grand Commanders of the Grand Commandery were introduced and welcomed to this Grand Conclave:

Michael L. Jones.....	1973-1974
McMurray L. Griffith.....	1975-1976
William M. Newsome, Jr.....	1976-1977
Fred W. Vaughan.....	1978-1979
Arthur C. Harding.....	1979-1980
Joseph D. Brackin.....	1980-1981
Erskine K. Smith.....	1982-1983
Emory J. Ferguson.....	1988-1989
Charles W. McDonald.....	1989-1990
Sam L. Garrett, Sr.....	1993-1994
George L. Marshall, Jr.....	1996-1997

**ADDRESS OF RIGHT EMINENT GRAND COMMANDER  
BOBBY R. TERRY  
1998-1999**

*To the Grand Officers, Sir Knights and Distinguished Guests of the Grand Commandery of Alabama:*

Let me take this opportunity to welcome each of you to the 139<sup>th</sup> Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Alabama. I extend a most cordial welcome to each of you and wish for you a most enjoyable visit. If there is anything that we can do to make your stay more enjoyable do not hesitate to let us know.

To God and each of the Sir Knights and Commanderies in the State of Alabama, Thank you from the bottom of my heart, for providing me with the most memorable years of my life, by allowing me to serve as your Grand Commander. This has been one of the greatest and most enjoyable opportunities of my life. I have thoroughly enjoyed serving you as your Grand Commander and again thank each of you for your help, assistance and the many courtesies that you have given me. I sincerely wish that everyone could enjoy the friendship and share in the many happy experiences that I have enjoyed this year.

To our out-of-state Guests, I hope that the hospitality and friendship that we extend to you is one half as much as each of your Grand Commanderies, Grand Officers and Sir Knights extended to me during my visits to your Grand Commandery Conclaves, it was outstanding

**OUT OF STATE VISITS**

I visited South Carolina, Tennessee, Georgia and Florida. I am very sorry that I did not get to attend Mississippi, North Carolina, Virginia and some other States that I received invitations to attend. It is my loss because I missed the opportunity of sharing their hospitality.

**IN STATE VISITS**

I will not list my visits individually, but I attended numerous Blue Lodges, mostly Rising Sun Lodge No. 29, all Decatur York Rite meetings except two and several others. I attended both KYCH meetings, York Rite College, S.R.I.C.F, Knight Masons, Allied Masonic Degrees and H.R.O.K.T.P. I made four trips for Cahaba Shrine Temple to carry children to the Greenville Shrine Hospitals in Greenville, South Carolina. I encourage anyone that is offered the opportunity to make a trip to the hospitals to please do so. Your will be well rewarded.

**REVIEW OF BOOKS**

On December 10, 1998, your Grand Commander authorized our Grand Recorder, Arthur Harding, to secure the services of William M. Tate, CPA to conduct a review of the books of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama for the year ending December 31, 1998.

## DISPENSATIONS GRANTED

To receive and ballot out of statutory time:

Montgomery Commandery #4 .....September 12, 1998  
 Tuscaloosa Commandery #13 .....October 30, 1998  
 Montgomery Commandery #4 .....November 5, 1998

To move meeting place:

Woodlawn Commandery #31 .....October 1, 1998

## GRAND REPRESENTATIVES APPOINTED TO REPRESENT ALABAMA NEAR OTHER JURISDICTIONS

Michigan .....James C. Costello  
 Oregon .....Paul McLain

## GRAND REPRESENTATIVES NOMINATED TO REPRESENT OTHER GRAND COMMANDERIES NEAR THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF ALABAMA

District of Columbia .....Robert Dumas  
 Kansas .....Robert W. Cheney  
 Nebraska .....Ronald E. Scarborough, Sr.  
 Philippines .....Ray Dunn  
 South Carolina .....Roger A. Simmons  
 South Dakota .....Roman Hochhalter

## NECROLOGY

We are most thankful that the Supreme Grand Master has left our Grand Line intact. However, we are saddened at the loss of 109 Sir Knights, especially at the loss of two of our finest Past Grand Commanders, Ray Rutledge, KYGCH and Richard Sim Hamilton, KYGCH. We offer our deepest sympathy and heartfelt condolences to the families and friends of all our deceased Sir Knights.

## STATE OF THE CRAFT

As I look over the State, I see some of the finest Knights that anyone could ever find to work and serve with, however, our number is small and declining.

The work that is being done, in one day classes and slow classes, is being done in an impressive way and manner. I would encourage all Commanderies and Knights that are doing the work to keep doing so and encourage others to take part.

I would like to see the Grand Masters plan of 5/50 take hold.

I would also encourage all commanderies to stay 100% in the Knights Templar Eye Foundation.

### CONCLUSION

I would like again to say thank you from the bottom of my heart for the opportunity of allowing me to serve as your Grand Commander.

I want to thank the Most Illustrious Grand Master, Charles McDonald and his lovely wife, Ramona, for their help, assistance and support this year. No value can be placed on their friendship and help.

I want to thank the Most Excellent Grand High Priest and his lovely wife, Elfrieda, for their help and support, it was very valuable.

Thanks to Sir Knight Fred McCluskey, Grand Treasurer, for being there when needed.

Thanks to Sir Knight Arthur C. Harding and his lovely wife, Charlotte, for their very much appreciated advice, help and understanding. They have been super.

Thanks to Mrs. Sarah Garrett and Mrs. Bobbie Ferguson for their work in the Craft Room over the years. They have made it a large success and the philanthropies have benefited greatly.

Thanks to Mrs. Bobbie Ferguson for serving as my hostess for the conclave, her assistance has been invaluable. Thanks very much.

Last, but certainly not least, thanks to the Decatur York Rite Bodies for their help, assistance and support. No value can be placed on their friendship and support.

Without help from God and all of the above, I could not have made it.

Thank you very, very much for all the support and many prayers. They have helped me greatly.

Fraternally,

Bobby R. Terry  
Grand Commander

Attest:  
Arthur C. Harding  
Grand Recorder



## GRAND TREASURER'S REPORT

*To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama:*  
Submitted below is my Statement of Receipts and Disbursements for the year ended December 31, 1998.

### RECEIPTS

Dues .....	\$38,995.00
Fees .....	820.00
Interest .....	2,889.43
Sale of Supplies .....	143.50
Sale of Banquet Tickets .....	<u>904.00</u>

Total Receipts ..... \$43,751.93

### DISBURSEMENTS

Operating Expenses .....	\$36,321.98
Purchases for resale .....	<u>376.80</u>
.....	36,698.78
Net Transfer from Triennial Reserve .....	<u>675.00</u>

Total Disbursements ..... 36,023.78

EXCESS OF RECEIPTS OVER DISBURSEMENTS ..... 7,728.15

CASH ON HAND - JANUARY 1, 1998 ..... 86,855.25

CASH ON HAND - DECEMBER 31, 1998 ..... \$94,583.40

CASH ON HAND - DECEMBER 31, 1998 CONSISTS OF THE FOLLOWING:

Petty Cash .....	\$ 50.00
Checking Account .....	53,050.92
Certificates of Deposit and Savings Accounts .....	<u>41,482.48</u>

Total Cash on Hand December 31, 1998 ..... \$94,583.40

Respectfully submitted,

Fred W. McCluskey, Jr.  
Grand Treasurer

I wish to express my appreciation to Sir Knight Arthur C. Harding, Grand Recorder and his office assistant, Charlotte, for their cooperation and assistance throughout the year in helping me to do my work efficiently. I wish to thank the members for the opportunity to have served you this past year as your Grand Treasurer.

## GRAND RECORDER'S REPORT

*To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama:*

Sir Knights, my Annual Report for the fiscal year ending December 31, 1998 is as follows:

Membership as of January 1, 1998 ..... 4,177

### ADDITIONS

Knighted .....	105	
Affiliated .....	14	
Reinstated .....	40	
Adjusted .....	02	+ 161
Total Gross Membership .....	<u>4,338</u>	

### LOSSES;

Died .....	109	
Demitted .....	23	
Suspended N.P.D .....	169	
Adjusted .....	0	- 301

Total Net Membership as of December 31, 1998 ..... 4,037

Loss in Membership for 1998 .....	-140
Chartered Commanderies .....	15
Commanderies Reporting .....	15
Commanderies Under Dispensation .....	0

## APPRECIATION

I would like to express appreciation and thanks to our Right Eminent Grand Commander, Bobby R. Terry, the Grand Line Officers, and the Recorders of the Constituent Commanderies for their understanding, support, help and assistance rendered during the past year.

Fraternally submitted

Arthur C. Harding  
Grand Recorder

## STATISTICAL SUMMARY OF SUBORDINATE COMMANDERIES

NO.	NAME	1/1/98 MEMBERSHIP	ADJUSTED	KNIGHTED	AFFILIATED	REINSTATED	DIED	DEMITTED	SUSPENDED	12/31/98 MEMBERSHIP	GAIN/LOSS
2	MOBILE	390	0	2	1	1	18	0	9	367	- 23
4	MONTGOMERY	233	-1	16	0	5	7	4	17	225	- 8
7	HUNTSVILLE	241	0	4	0	2	9	0	10	228	- 13
10	CYRENE	1103	0	27	11	13	40	5	48	1061	- 42
13	TUSCALOOSA	170	0	2	1	0	6	0	3	164	- 6
14	DeMOLAY	171	0	8	0	0	1	0	0	178	+ 7
15	ETOWAH	202	0	8	0	3	5	0	15	193	- 9
23	ANNISTON	236	0	6	0	1	6	0	8	229	- 7
25	DOTHAN	146	0	6	1	0	3	0	0	150	+ 4
29	PIEDMONT	74	-1	0	0	1	0	0	5	69	- 5
31	WOODLAWN	553	0	1	0	7	1	11	27	522	- 31
39	FLORENCE	183	0	0	0	2	5	1	8	171	- 12
45	LEE	133	0	0	0	1	4	0	3	127	- 6
46	DeKALB-JACKSON	263	+4	25	0	4	3	2	12	279	+ 16
47	MONROEVILLE	79	0	0	0	0	1	0	4	74	- 5
TOTALS		4,177	+2	105	14	40	109	23	169	4,037	-140

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FINANCE

To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Grand Officers, and Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery of Alabama:

We your committee on Finance, wish to submit the following report as well as a proposed budget for the year 1998 for your review and consideration.

We have examined the Review as completed by William M. Tate, C.P.A. of the Grand Commandery and recommend that it be accepted.

The Bonds on the Treasurer and Recorder and the Insurance are paid and in force.

The annual budget was prepared by the combined efforts of this committee as well as the R. E. Grand Commander, Grand Treasurer and the Grand Recorder.

Respectfully submitted,

Michael L. Jones, P.G.C., Chairman  
Erskine K. Smith, P.G.C.  
Charles R. Pate, P.G.C.

### GRAND COMMANDERY BUDGET

ACC'T #	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	BUDGET 1998	SPENT 1998	BUDGET 1999
800	Payroll Taxes	700.00	712.96	700.00
801	Telephone	880.00	723.22	880.00
802	Postage & P.O. Box	500.00	538.98	500.00
803	Contingency Fund	200.00	20.00	200.00
804	Grand Encap. Per Cap. Tax	14,200.00	13,784.10	14,000.00
804-A	Grand Encamp. K.T.E.F. Dues	0.00	0.00	50.00
805	Grand Recorder's Salary	3,600.00	3,600.00	3,600.00
806	Grand Treasurer's Expense	300.00	300.00	300.00
807	Grand Commander's Expense	1,200.00	1,200.00	1,200.00
808	Office Ass't Salary	4,464.00	4,464.00	4,464.00
809	Printing Grand Proceedings	1,500.00	1,453.68	1,500.00
810	Stat., Printing & Supplies	700.00	271.24	700.00
811	Review of Books	400.00	375.00	400.00
812	Office Rent	1,800.00	1,800.00	1,800.00
813	Jewels for Jr. Past Comm.	0.00	0.00	1,500.00
814	Insurance - Bonds, Fire, etc.	400.00	391.20	400.00

ACC'T #	ACCOUNT DESCRIPTION	BUDGET 1998	SPENT 1998	BUDGET 1999
815	Triennial Reserve (First Four Grand Officers & Grand Rec.)	675.00	675.00	675.00
816	Donation to DeMolay	300.00	300.00	300.00
816	Donation to Order of Knighthood	75.00	0.00	75.00
817	Donation to Order of Rainbow for Girls	300.00	300.00	300.00
818	Southeastern Regional York Rite Conference (Grand Commander, Deputy Grand Commander, Grand Generalissimo & Grand Recorder Only \$100.00 Max for each)	335.00	234.00	335.00
819	Grand Rec. Travel Allowance	2,760.00	2,760.00	2,760.00
820	Office Ass't Travel Allowance	360.00	360.00	360.00
821	Presiding Gr. Officer Stat.	50.00	48.60	50.00
822	Ladies Brunch or Lunch	0.00	0.00	300.00
823	Distinguished Guests	700.00	799.25	800.00
824	Banquet (Net-Cost less tickets sold)	500.00	320.00	500.00
835	Moving Expense	0.00	0.00	1200.00
	Totals	<u>\$36,949.00</u>	<u>35,431.23</u>	<u>39,749.00</u>
	Under Budget		<u>\$1,547.77</u>	

ACCOUNTANT'S REPORT

Mr. Bobby R. Terry  
Right Eminent Grand Commander  
Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama  
Birmingham, Alabama

I have reviewed the accompanying statement of assets, liabilities and fund balance - cash basis of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama (a non-profit organization) as of December 31, 1998, and the related statements of revenue and expenses - cash basis and changes in fund balance - cash basis for the year then ended, in accordance with Statements on Standards for Accounting and Review Services issued by the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants. All information included in these financial statements is the representation of the management of the Commandery.

A review consists principally of inquiries of personnel and analytical procedures applied to financial data. It is substantially less in scope than an audit in accordance with generally accepted auditing standards, the objective of which is the expression of an opinion regarding the financial statements taken as a whole. Accordingly, I do not express such an opinion.

Based on my review, I am not aware of any material modifications that should be made to the accompanying financial statements in order for them to be in conformity with the cash basis of accounting, as described in Note A.

My review was made for the purpose of expressing limited assurance that there are no material modifications that should be made to the financial statements in order for them to be in conformity with the cash basis of accounting, as described in Note A. The information in the accompanying Schedule of Expenses - Cash Basis is presented only for supplementary analysis purposes. Such information has been subjected to the inquiry and analytical procedures applied in the review of the basic financial statements. This information is presented on the cash basis of accounting, and I am not aware of any material modifications that should be made thereto.

WILLIAM M. TATE  
Certified Public Accountant

*William M. Tate*

Hoover, Alabama  
April 5, 1999

GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF ALABAMA  
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA

STATEMENT OF ASSETS, LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE  
CASH BASIS  
DECEMBER 31, 1998

## ASSETS

Current Assets	
Cash on Hand and in Bank	\$53,100.92
Certificates of Deposit and Savings Account	41,482.48
Inventory - Supplies for Resale	<u>870.96</u>
Total Current Assets	95,454.36
Property and Equipment	
Office Equipment	7,143.85
Less: Accumulated Depreciation	6,596.72
Net Property and Equipment	<u>547.13</u>
Total Assets	<u>\$96,001.49</u>

## LIABILITIES AND FUND BALANCE

Fund Balance	
Reserved for Triennial	\$2,584.00
Reserved for Triennial - Past Grand Masters	266.00
Reserved for Southern Breakfast	200.00
Unreserved	92,951.49
Total Fund Balance	<u>\$96,001.49</u>

GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF ALABAMA  
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA

STATEMENT OF REVENUE AND EXPENSES - CASH BASIS  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1998

## Revenue

Dues		\$38,995.00
Fees		820.00
Sale of Banquet Tickets		904.00
Interest		2,889.43
Sale of Supplies	\$143.50	
Inventory - January 1, 1998	\$623.41	
Purchases	<u>376.80</u>	
	1,000.21	
Inventory - December 31, 1998	<u>870.96</u>	129.25
		<u>14.25</u>
Total Revenue		43,622.68
Expenses - Cash Basis		35,646.98
Triennial Reserve Transfer		<u>675.00</u>
Total Expenses		36,321.98
Excess of Revenue over Expenses		<u>\$7,300.70</u>

GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF ALABAMA  
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA

STATEMENT OF CHANGES IN FUND BALANCE - CASH BASIS  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1998

Fund Balance - January 1, 1998	\$88,025.79
Add: Transfer to Triennial Reserve	<u>675.00</u>
	88,700.79
Add: Excess of Revenue over Expenses	<u>7,300.70</u>
Fund Balance - December 31, 1998	<u>\$96,001.49</u>

GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF ALABAMA  
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA

NOTES TO FINANCIAL STATEMENTS  
DECEMBER 31, 1998

NOTE 1 - SUMMARY OF SIGNIFICANT ACCOUNTING POLICIES:

A. Basis of Accounting

The organization's policy is to prepare its financial statements on the cash basis of accounting. Under this method certain revenue and the related assets are recognized when received rather than when earned, and certain expenses are recognized when paid rather than when the obligation is incurred. Accordingly, the accompanying financial statements do not purport to present financial position and results of operations in conformity with generally accepted accounting principles.

B. Inventories

Inventories are carried at the lower of cost determined by the first-in, first-out method, or market.

C. Property and Equipment

Property and equipment are recorded at cost and depreciated over the estimated useful lives of the related assets. Depreciation was computed on the straight-line method for financial reporting purposes.

NOTE 2 - TAX STATUS:

The Commandery is exempt from federal income taxes under Internal Revenue Code Section 501(c). and from state income taxes under Alabama Code Section 40-18-32. An informational tax return is filed each year on IRS Form 990.



GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF ALABAMA  
BIRMINGHAM, ALABAMA

SCHEDULE OF EXPENSES - CASH BASIS  
YEAR ENDED DECEMBER 31, 1998

<u>Grand Officer Expenses</u>		
Southeastern Regional Meeting	\$ 234.00	
Stationery for Grand Officer	<u>48.60</u>	
Total Grand Officer Expenses		\$ 282.60
<u>Grand Recorder's Office Expenses</u>		
Salary - Grand Recorder	3,600.00	
Salary - Office Secretary	4,464.00	
Allowance - Grand Treasurer	300.00	
Allowance - Grand Commander	1,200.00	
Insurance - Bonds, Fire, Theft and Liability	378.00	
Payroll Taxes	712.96	
Rent	1,800.00	
Printing and Office Supplies	271.24	
Postage and Post Office Box Rental	538.98	
Telephone	723.22	
Annual Accounting Services	375.00	
Travel Allowance - Grand Recorder	2,760.00	
Travel Allowance - Office Secretary	<u>360.00</u>	
Total Grand Recorder's Office Expenses		17,483.40
<u>Annual Convention Expenses</u>		
Expenses for Distinguished Guests	799.20	
Banquet - Annual Conclave	<u>1,224.00</u>	
Total Annual Convention Expenses		2,023.20
<u>Miscellaneous Expenses</u>		
Grand Encampment Dues	13,784.10	
Special Award - Demolay	300.00	
Special Award - Rainbow	300.00	
Contingencies	20.00	
Printing Annual Proceedings	<u>1,453.68</u>	
Total Miscellaneous Expenses		<u>15,857.78</u>
Total Expenses		<u>\$35,646.98</u>

## GRAND COMMANDERY ROLL CALL OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES

ARIZONA ..... \*Howard E. Hayes  
 ARKANSAS ..... Fred W. McCluskey, Jr.  
 CALIFORNIA ..... \*Louis W. Meyer, Jr.  
 COLORADO ..... George F. Mills  
 CONNECTICUT ..... \*Bobby C. Park  
 DELAWARE ..... \*\*Gerald E. Wilson  
 DISTRICT OF COLUMBIA ..... Deceased  
 FLORIDA ..... Joe D. Lee  
 GEORGIA ..... George W. Busby  
 IDAHO ..... \*\*Glenn Welborn  
 ILLINOIS ..... Arthur C. Harding  
 INDIANA ..... James E. Stutts  
 IOWA ..... Jesse W. Locke  
 Italy ..... Robert A. Moore  
 KANSAS ..... Deceased  
 KENTUCKY ..... Michael L. Jones  
 LOUISIANA ..... Billy A. Rikard  
 MAINE ..... William M. Newsome, Jr.  
 MARYLAND ..... Joseph D. Brackin  
 MASSACHUSETTS & RHODE ISLAND ..... Fred W. Vaughan  
 MICHIGAN ..... \*James F. Vaughan  
 MINNESOTA ..... \*\*Patrick Bleakley  
 MISSISSIPPI ..... Emory J. Ferguson  
 MISSOURI ..... C. Horace Hampton, Jr.  
 MONTANA ..... \*Charles R. Pate  
 NEBRASKA ..... Deceased  
 NEVADA ..... Johnny A. Baker  
 NEW HAMPSHIRE ..... Lance C. Anthony  
 NEW JERSEY ..... George L. Marshall, Jr.  
 NEW MEXICO ..... Maurice C. Himes  
 NEW YORK ..... \*\*Anthony M. Deming  
 NORTH CAROLINA ..... James R. Bromley  
 NORTH DAKOTA ..... Sam L. Garrett, Sr.  
 OHIO ..... Phillip J. Sherman  
 OKLAHOMA ..... Erskine K. Smith  
 OREGON ..... MacArthur Davis  
 PENNSYLVANIA ..... Bobby Ray Terry  
 PHILIPPINES ..... Deceased  
 SOUTH CAROLINA ..... \*\*\*Anthony V. Jannett III  
 SOUTH DAKOTA ..... Roman Hochhalter  
 TENNESSEE ..... Henry B. Tyra, Jr.  
 TEXAS ..... McMurray L. Griffith  
 UTAH ..... \*Robert T. Crawford  
 VERMONT ..... Thomas F. Craig  
 VIRGINIA ..... Charles W. McDonald  
 WASHINGTON ..... \*\*W. Malcolm Killingsworth  
 WEST VIRGINIA ..... James L. Gossett  
 WISCONSIN ..... Wayne D. Jordan  
 WYOMING ..... \*\*Glenn Goodson

*\*Denotes number of consecutive years absent.*

REGISTER OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES  
FOR GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF ALABAMA

Grand Comman <del>d</del> ery	Representative From	Address and Town	Representative to	Town
Arizona	Howard E. Hayes	540 Camellia Road, Birmingham, 35215	Kenneth W. Smith	Glendale
Arkansas	Fred W. McCluskey, Jr.	2201 3rd Street, N.E., Birmingham, 35215	James Fernald, Jr.	E. Dorado
California	Louis W. Meyer, Jr.	5701 Avenue P, Ensley, Birmingham, 35228	Grover T. Halbrooks	Riverside
Colorado	George F. Mills	P. O. Box 1393, Decatur, 35602	James D. Goff	P. O. Box 544 Cortex, 81321-0544
Connecticut	Bobby C. Park	1577 Oscar Patterson Road, New Market, 35761	George C. Perry	116 Candlewood Lake Brookfield, 06804
Delaware	Gerald E. Wilson	1306 Terrehaute Avenue, Decatur, 35601	S.W. Harold C. Hill	
District of Columbia	Robert E. Dumas	417 Covina Dr., S.W., Decatur, 35603	William T. Cox	Springfield Virginia
Florida	Joe D. Lee	405 Roundabout Drive, Trussville, 35173	Francis L. Dancy	P. O. Box 457 Ft. Pierce, 33954
Georgia	George W. Busby	P. O. Box 365, Pelham, 35124	Bobby Joe Townsend	6630 Starling Pl. Mableton, 30059
Idaho	Glenn Welborn	P. O. Box 94053, Birmingham, 35220	Eldred J. Thomas	Lewiston
Illinois	Arthur C. Harding	309 Sun Valley Road, Birmingham 35215	William D. Jarrett	Jacksonville
Indiana	James E. Stutts	612 East Pasadena Avenue, Muscle Shoals, 35660	Douglas O. Fegenbush	Indianapolis
Iowa	Jesse W. Locke	P. O. Box 2331, Phenix City, 36867-2331	Ronald W. Guthrie	Mason City
Kansas	Robert W. Cheney	335 Hope Hull Drive, Hope Hull, 36043	Edward B. Sherwood	919 Washington
Kentucky	Michael L. Jones	Newton, 67114 1711 Cagle Avenue, S. W., Decatur, 35601	Clifford T. Stigger	Louisville
Louisiana	Billy A. Rikard	2236 2nd Place, N.E., Birmingham, 35215	Huston F. Boothe, Sr.	10298 John Hollis Rd Hammond, 70403
Maine	William M. Newsome, Jr.	1600 - 45th Street, Phenix City, 36867	John D. Baggett	Bucksport

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FOR GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF ALABAMA

Grand Commandery	Representative From	Address and Town	Representative to	Town
Mar-yl and	Joseph D. Brackin	2102 Hardwick Drive Dothan, 36303	Calvin W. Parker	Glen Burnie
Masachusetts & Rhode Island	Fred W. Vaughan	108 Harwood Drive Gadsden, 35901	James A. Willis, Jr.	45 Rodney Rd. Warwick, 02889
Michigan	James F. Vaughan	190 Azalea Drive Gadsden, 35901	James C. Costello	5419 Oak Groave Rd Howell, 48843
Minnesota	Patrick B. Bleakley	P. O. Box 58 Jacksonville, 36265	Barnes A. Sharitt, Jr.	South Saint Paul
Mississippi	Emory J. Ferguson	1615 Lakeview Drive, N.W. Cullman, 35055	Dale Howe	Route 1, Box 869 Coldwater, 38618
Missouri	C. Horace Hampton, Jr.	358 Riverside Drive East Gadsden, 35903	William F. Strode	Louisiana, Missouri
Montana	Charles R. Pate	1905 Canterbury Square Anniston, 36207	C. Thomas Barsuch	Lewistown
Nebraska	Ronald E. Scarborough, Sr.	900 29 <sup>th</sup> Avenue, N.E. Birmingham, 35215	Robert C. Franklin	716 Shamrock Rd Papillion, 68046
Nevada	Johnny A. Baker	P. O. Box 11037 Chickasaw, 36611	Gerry Cunningham	1731 Charnut Lane Las Vegas, 89115
New Hampshire	Lance C. Anthony	P. O. Box 3050 Phenix City, 36868-3050	Richard A. Gilbert, Sr.	Newmarket
New Jersey	George L. Marshall, Jr.	161 Anna Kathryn Drive Gurley, 35748	Thurman C. Pace, Jr.	818 St. Marks Ave Westfield, 07090
New Mexico	Maurice C. Himes	Route 1, Box 297 Slocomb, 36375-9754	Darrel D. Hornsby	Santa Fe
New York	Anthony M. Deming	130 Shoal Creek Road Hayden, 35079	Ronald W. Dunn	600 Medina Street Elmira, 14904
North Carolina	James R. Bromley	7337 Pinewood Drive Theodore, 36582	James H. Horne	Fayetteville
North Dakota	Sam L. Garrett, Sr.	1402 Melanie Lane Phenix City, 36867	Paul Torgeson	Grafton
Ohio	Phillip J. Sherman	2205-C Gragan Avebye Decatur, 35601	Richard Kroner	1392 Warner Rd Brookfield, 44403
Oklahoma	Erskine K. Smith	1835 Cheaha Drive Oxford, 36203	Joe F. Warriner	Oklahoma City

**REGISTER OF GRAND REPRESENTATIVES  
FOR GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF ALABAMA (Continued)**

Grand Commandery	Representative From	Address and Town	Representative to	Town
Oregon	MacArthur Davis	4291 Grissett Bridge Road Brewton, 36426	Paul McLain	545 4 <sup>th</sup> Avenue Sweet Home, 97386
Pennsylvania	Bobby Ray Terry	Route 1, Box 10 Decatur, 35601	James V. Pedano	609 Aintree Rd Hatboro, 19040
Philippines	Raymond C. Dunn	376 College Park Ct., N.W. Huntsville, 35805-2600	Abelardo T. Camahala	Imus Carite, Philippines
South Carolina	Roger A. Simmons	P. O. Box 288 Newton, 36352	James E. Waldrop	106 Hollingsworth Dr Easley, 29640
South Dakota	Roman Hochhalter	83 Crimson Tide Drive Piedmont, 36272	Allen J. Eide	15 4 <sup>th</sup> Ave., N.W. Watertown, 57201
Tennessee	Henry B. Tyra, Jr.	906 Chatterton Road, Huntsville, 35802	S. E. Charles L. Brooks	4695 Casann Ave. Memphis, 38128
Texas	McMurray L. Griffith	P. O. Box 130215 Birmingham, 35213	Michael H. Shively	Spring
Utah	Robert T. Crawford	911 - 4th Terrace Pleasant Grove, 35127	Raymond F. White	Ogden
Vermont	Thomas F. Craig	1000 Lexington Street, Huntsville, 35801	S. E. Robert Boyce	Windsor
Virginia	Charles W. McDonald	615 Morgan Avenue Mobile, 36606	Robert S. Hughes	8005 Galaxie Cir Richmond, 23228
Washington	W. Malcolm Killingsworth	1801 Fern Drive Dothan, 36301	William F. Bandy	42 <sup>nd</sup> 11 <sup>th</sup> Ave., N. Algona, 98001
West Virginia	James L. Gossett	117 Meadow Pass, Huntsville, 35811	Robert L. Caldwell	Lewisburg
Wisconsin	Wayne D. Jordan	929 Tascosa Drive, Huntsville, 35802	Herbert L. Matter	Milwaukee
Wyoming	Glenn E. Goodson	1302 Fowler Avenue Gadsden, 35901	Sam Allen	Cody

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON CREDENTIALS AND REGISTRATION

To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Grand Officers and Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery of Alabama:

We your Committee on Credentials and Registration, submit the following report:

There are present and registered with this Committee 10 Grand Officers and 11 Past Grand Commanders of the Grand Commandery of Alabama.

There are 15 Constituent Commanderies which comprise the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama, and of these 14 Commanderies are registered with this Committee for this 139<sup>th</sup> Annual Conclave.

We have examined the credentials of Commandery Officers or their Proxies, and the following is our conclusion:

TOTAL OFFICERS OR PROXIES PRESENT.....	38
TOTAL PAST COMMANDERS.....	63
TOTAL QUALIFIED TO VOTE IN THIS CONCLAVE.....	101

We wish to thank the Grand Recorder and the Right Eminent Grand Commander for their support and assistance in making our work easier at this Grand Commandery. We have enjoyed the privilege of serving the Grand Commandery on this Committee.

Respectfully submitted,  
  
Robert E. Dumas, Chairman  
Ray C. Dunn

Adopted.

### GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR OF ALABAMA

*Commanders, Generalissimos, Captain Generals, and/or proxies present from Constituent Commanderies:*

2. Mobile	George W. Murrill, Jr. L. Patrick Wetzel	Commander Generalissimo
4. Montgomery	William C. Havens	Captain General
	Roman Hochhalter	Commander
	*William J. Loerch	Generalissimo
7. Huntsville	*Robert L. Schick	Captain General
	Raymond C. Dunn	Commander
	Boyd L. Neglett	Generalissimo
10. Cyrene	Earl Reed	Captain General
	*James W. Battle	Commander
	*Arlice O. Stanford	Generalissimo
	*J. C. Brady	Captain General
13. Tuscaloosa	Not Represented	Commander
	Not Represented	Generalissimo
	Not Represented	Captain General

14.	DeMolay	Robert E. Dumas	Commander
		*Dalton Aldridge	Generalissimo
		*Phillip J. Sherman	Captain General
15.	Etowah	*C. Horace Hampton	Commander
		*C. Horace Hampton	Generalissimo
		*Jim L. Fuhrman	Captain General
23.	Anniston	Scott E. Duncan	Commander
		*Calvin C. Snow	Generalissimo
		*Erskine K. Smith	Captain General
25.	Dothan	James A. Smith	Commander
		*Roger A. Simmons	Generalissimo
		C. Sterling Hughes	Captain General
29.	Piedmont	*Teddy R. Grogan, Jr.	Commander
		*Teddy R. Grogan, Jr.	Generalissimo
		*Teddy R. Grogan, Jr.	Captain General
31.	Woodlawn	William E. Baggett	Commander
		*Ronald E. Scarborough	Generalissimo
		*Billy Rikard	Captain General
39.	Florence	*James E. Stutts	Commander
		*James E. Stutts	Generalissimo
		*James E. Stutts	Captain General
45.	Lee	*Lance C. Anthony	Commander
		*Robert D. Moseson	Generalissimo
		*Lance C. Anthony	Captain General
46.	DeKalb-Jackson	*Floyd Hambrick, Jr.	Commander
		Not Represented	Generalissimo
		Not Represented	Captain General
47.	Monroeville	Baker R. Turk	Commander
		Joseph E. Hayles	Generalissimo
		Vories Fowler	Captain General

\*Denotes Proxy.

#### PAST EMINENT COMMANDERS PRESENT

2. Mobile: James R. Bromley, Johnny A. Baker, Brent R. Haller, Harold Rankins, Charles W. McDonald, William J. Sirmon, Bill Maloy, Frank Brown, Lewis L. Childs, M. Chastain, William A. Atwood, Jr.
4. Montgomery: Robert L. Schick, William J. Loerch, Bobby W. Cheney, Luther E. Lee
7. Huntsville: Emory J. Ferguson, Henry B. Tyra, Jr., Wayne D. Jordan, James L. Gossett, George W. Marshall, Jr., Thomas F. Craig, Edward D. Hardin, Lincoln H. Townsend, Walter J. Krueger
10. Cyrene: Joe D. Lee, Arlice O. Stanford, J. C. Brady, McMurray L. Griffith, James W. Battle
13. Tuscaloosa: None
14. DeMolay: Bobby R. Terry, George F. Mills, Phillip J. Sherman, Michael L. Jones, Dalton C. Aldridge, Brady E. McCullough
15. Etowah: Robert A. Moore, Fred W. Vaughan, C. Horace Hampton
23. Anniston: Erskine K. Smith, Calvin C. Snow, William McNeal
25. Dothan: Maurice C. Himes, Roger A. Simmons, William D. Barr, Joseph D. Brackin, L. C. Minks, Franklin L. Moon.
29. Piedmont: Teddy R. Grogan, Jr.
31. Woodlawn: Arthur C. Harding, Fred W. McCluskey, Jr., Ronald E. Scarborough, Sr., George W. Busby, Billy Rikard.
39. Florence: Billy H. Brackin, Lamon C. Griffin, Robert B. Dixon, Oliver L. Moore, James E. Stutts.

45. Lee: Lance C. Anthony, William M. Newsome, Jr., Jesse W. Locke, Sam L. Garrett, Robert D. Moseson
46. DeKalb-Jackson: Floyd Hambrick, Jr.
47. Monroeville: MacArthur Davis, Charles L. Turk

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RITUALISTIC WORK

*To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Grand Officers, and Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama:*

Of the fifteen Commanderies still in existence in Alabama there are only seven capable of conferring the Orders of the Commandery. A sad predicament indeed and a probable cause of the decline in our ranks and almost certainly the cause that we have lost ten of our Commanderies since 1980. It makes one ponder just how far the Sir Knights of our state will permit this decline to continue before taking action to rectify the situation. Hopefully not too long, but at present it is a rarity to find anyone volunteering their time to learn the beautiful Orders that we have all been so fortunate to witness. But the situation can improve as the Dothan Commandery has exemplified. Sometimes it takes only one person to ignite the spark. Is that someone going to be you? Hopefully there will be that one spark in each of our remaining Commanderies and our Orders will still be in existence for our children and our children's children.

This committee has had no request for assistance this past year. At one of the festivals I was approached by a Sir Knight inquiring if there was a Committee on Work in the York Rite and I informed him that each of the Grand Bodies had a ritualistic committee that would be glad to give assistance to any of the subordinate bodies if requested to do so. However no assistance was ever requested by the Sir Knight or his Commandery.

Respectfully submitted,

Emory J. Ferguson, PGC, KCT, Chairman  
W. Malcolm Killingsworth  
Anthony M. Deming

Adopted.

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON RIGHT EMINENT GRAND COMMANDER'S ADDRESS

*To the Grand Commander, Grand Officers and Sir Knights of the Knights Templar of Alabama:*

We recommend that the portion of the Address referring to Necrology be referred to the Grand Prelate.

We recommend that portion of the Address referring to Dispensations granted be referred to the Committee on Jurisprudence.

We recommend that portion of the Address referring to Review of Books be referred to the Committee on Finance.

We recommend that portion of the address referring to Grand Representatives appointed and nominated be approved.



We recommend that all other portions of the address, not herein referred to, be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Erskine K. Smith, P.G.C., Chairman

*Adopted.*

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON JURISPRUDENCE

*To the Right Eminent Grand Commander and Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama:*

Your Committee on Templar Jurisprudence, wish to make the following report:

The Committee recommends that the portion of the Grand Commander's Address concerning dispensations granted be approved.

Respectfully submitted,

Erskine K. Smith, PGC, Chairman  
Charles R. Pate, PGC

*Adopted.*

## REPORT OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR SUPPLEMENT EDITOR

*To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama:*

Once again I come with some bad news and some good news about the Alabama Supplement. The bad news is that I am disappointed in the lack of news from across the state. Although I have received some news from Birmingham Metro Bodies, Anniston Bodies and Ashmole York Rite College in Montgomery, and an article from our Southeastern Department Commander, for the most part the only news I have run has been from events I have attended (such as the institution of Emrys W. John York Rite College in Birmingham). Although I sincerely appreciate what news is sent to me, I fervently believe that there is much more going on in our Commanderies that is well worth being shared with the rest of the state. For those with access to e-mail, I have posted my address with the Grand Lodge list of e-m@sons, in large part to give members an electronic address to send news to. Still, regular mail will certainly never be returned either.

There are several items of good news. As I promised to try to do last year, I did publish a tentative schedule of events for our meeting this year. Past Grand Commander George Marshall has been developing a personal website primarily dedicated to explaining the York Rite and its appendant orders, and has kindly accepted postings of our Alabama Supplement. Sir Knight William Loerch has developed an official site which is linked to the Grand Lodge of Alabama Site through the Appendant Bodies page. Along those same lines, among the official websites for the Grand Encampment, General Grand Council and General Grand Chapter listed on page 4 of each magazine is a York Rite Information Site, hosted by Sir Knight Dan Pushee of Virginia. I would encourage all who have access to visit that site, as it has a

number of links to other interesting sites. One of particular interest to me is a project on which Sir Knight Pushee has been working for several months to post supplements from other states. Currently, there are about twenty-one states participating, some hosting their own site but most simply furnishing their supplements in text format for posting by Sir Knight Pushee. The advantage of this is that it is a chance for Sir Knights to see what programs are being carried out in other jurisdictions and perhaps adopt some of the ideas for their own. Among those ideas I have noticed are the way the Commanderies in Missouri have formal programs honoring deceased veterans on Veteran's Day. We should consider adopting such activities from other jurisdictions when they are appropriate for our own.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas F. Craig

Adopted.

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON FRATERNAL CORRESPONDENCE

*To the Right Eminent Grand Commander and Officers of the Grand  
Commandery of the State of Alabama:*

Your Committee on Fraternal Correspondence submits the following report:

One report of correspondence has been received. I am certain that other Sir Knights have corresponded with their counterparts but failed to report.

Right Eminent Grand Commander, your committee on Fraternal Correspondence, thanks you for the opportunity and honor to serve you and this Grand Commandery during your year.

Fraternally submitted,

Wayne Dee Jordan, K.Y.C.H.  
Chairman

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON KNIGHTS TEMPLAR EYE FOUNDATION

*To the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama:*

I was appointed to help the Grand Commandery with the Eye Foundation. I did not realize I was also involved with the Voluntary Campaign, but my hearing deceives me. I will have to say because of this I did not fulfill the position as it should be and I offer my apologies for this lack of pushing the campaign. I will try to make up a little for all the ground I let slip by.

As you know the Campaign started December 1, 1998 and runs through April 1999. The February Templar magazine had listed Alabama contribution at \$6,500+ for which I thank you and the Foundation appreciates it. I have received copies of eye surgeries in Alabama that the Foundation has paid for and this covers December and January

and the amount that was paid in Alabama was \$61,790. Quite a difference isn't it.

I have with me a number of Presentation Kits that I would like for each Commandery here to take one for their use. I also have a number of contribution envelopes for you to use. If I don't have enough I can get more.

I have worked with the KTEF for a number of years and have seen a lot of people helped by our organization. As you know any Sir Knight can be a sponsor.

You can help others see even after your death by joining an eye bank that will take your eyes or just the corneas, if desired, and it will not change a person's looks but you may help others to see. It doesn't matter if you have bad eyesight. Putting it in your will if you have one will not work as it will be too late when the will is read. I know that at the family's request the corneas from Sir Knight William W. Buckley were given and he was legally blind.

I have another request or rather job for the Grand Recorder as he has run into the situation like I have and that is having the name and number of someone to contact when the person resides at some distance from his local body. I have and I imagine some other Sir Knights have done the same. That task would be to compile the name of a Knight from each Commandery along with address and phone number. This of course means that each Commandery will give him the needed information. Sir Knights this is something that needs to be done.

I have slowed up in my effort as I guess age gets to us but my hearing causes problems and I have even had my wife or son go with me a number of times to be sure the information is taken down correctly.

Thank you again for your help, but reflect on how much we have given. I have given money with many of my requests that I have sent in and also donated money in Memoriam for a past Sir Knight, Brother or Friend when they request money be given to a charity in lieu of flowers.

Lets give Alabama a Boost in the Campaign.

Respectfully submitted,

Walter J. Krueger, Chairman  
David E. Milam

*Adopted.*

## REPORT OF COMMITTEE KNIGHTS TEMPLAR EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

*To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Grand Officers and Sir Knights  
of the Grand Commandery of Alabama:*

We your Educational Foundation Committee submit the following report:

During the year ending December 31, 1998, your Committee processed one (1) student loans in the amount of \$3,000.00. That one (1) loan was made to a male student.

There are seventeen (17) loans outstanding on our books totaling \$23,142.96.

The Total New Worth of the Fund as of December 31, 1998 amounts to \$125,772.41. With only \$23,142.96 presently out in Student Loans it is obvious that we do have funds available for loans to deserving and credit worthy students.

Under the Grand Encampment rules and regulations it is required that a budget be submitted within a short time after our conclave for approval by the National Chairman. This Budget is for the following year and in compliance with this we are submitting the following budget for your approval:

Attorney for Collection Fees .....	100.00
Review of Books .....	400.00
Expense for Secretary & Office Help .....	1,800.00
Postage .....	64.00
Miscellaneous .....	<u>100.00</u>
Total Budget for 1998 .....	<u>2,464.00</u>

Respectfully submitted,

Howard E. Hayes, *Chairman*  
 James A. Kile  
 McMurray L. Griffith  
 Joe D. Lee  
 Fred W. McCluskey, Jr.

Attest: Arthur C. Harding, Secretary-Treasurer

Adopted.

### REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON KNIGHTS TEMPLAR EYE FOUNDATION 31ST VOLUNTARY CAMPAIGN

*To the Right Eminent Grand Commander, Grand Officers, and Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery of Alabama:*

Your Committee for the 31<sup>st</sup> Voluntary Campaign of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. submits the following report:

We strive to continue to be 100% Life Sponsor membership in our great State of Alabama.

We need to work getting new members so their membership will be added to the Life Sponsors and they become more educated toward the Knights Templar Eye Foundation and their work.

Fraternally submitted,

Horace Hampton, K.Y.C.H.  
 Chairman

Adopted.

## REPORT ON MEMBERSHIP

*To the Right Eminent Grand Commander and Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama:*

There is no easy solution to the declining membership. York Rite growth in membership is contingent upon Blue Lodge growth in membership. Growth requires concerted effort to find a few good men and make them better men.

We realize that this goes against the philosophy of the "me" generation of personal edification through selfishness and personal aggrandizement but efforts must be made to make men understand that doing for others like we do builds self-esteem and personal satisfaction in ourselves while we are teaching this to others. Spread the word - - that Masonry is fun, pleasing and builds friendships that last a lifetime. If we can do this, there is no limit to where it can lead us.

Fraternally submitted,

Robert T. Crawford, K.Y.C.H., Chairman  
George L. Marshall, Jr., K.Y.C.H.  
Lance C. Anthony, K.Y.C.H.  
Maurice C. Himes, K.Y.C.H.  
Rev. Brady E. McCullough  
Robert D. Moseson, K.Y.C.H.

## REPORT ON NECROLOGY

*To the Right Eminent Grand Commander and Sir Knights of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama:*

This year our Grand line officers, by the grace of God, have not been broken. Only by His Will does this happen.

It saddens my heart to have to report to you that we have lost 109 Sir Knights. Out of these 109 Sir Knights, we have lost two of our finest Past Grand Commanders, Ray Rutledge, K.Y.G.C.H. and Richard Sim Hamilton, K.Y.G.C.H., but, my Brethern, we may all rejoice in the fact that one day all that know Jesus Christ as Lord and Savior may spend eternity with them.

We offer our prayers and love to the families and friends of all our deceased Sir Knights.

Respectfully submitted,

George F. Mills, K.Y.C.H.  
Grand Prelate

Adopted.

**IN MEMORIAM****RICHARD SIM HAMILTON****RIGHT EMINENT GRAND COMMANDER  
1984-1985****BORN: FEBRUARY 3, 1929 DIED: SEPTEMBER 17, 1998  
DECATUR, ALABAMA                      DECATUR, ALABAMA**

Let us not mourn him going  
 Let us rejoice to know  
 That earthly labors finished.  
 He was prepared to go  
 Let us emulate his Virtues  
 That many of us may say  
 The world is brighter, better  
 Because he passed this way.

Sir Knight Richard was very active in many Masonic and Masonic related organizations. He was Past Master of Rising Sun Lodge No. 29 F. & A. M., Past High Priest of Decatur Chapter No. 38, Past Thrice Illustrious Master of Decatur Council No. 81, Past Commander of DeMolay Commandery N. 14 Knights Templar, Past Patron of Mary Lue Dancey Chapter No. 320, O.E.S.

He served many years as Secretary of Rising Sun Lodge No. 29 and as Secretary-Recorder of Decatur York Rite Bodies.

He was also a Past Prior of Holy Sepulchre Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine. Other Masonic affiliated organization of which he was a member are: Knight Masons, Vulcan Council #22; Knight Crusaders of the Cross; Council of Super Excellent Masters; Council of Anointed High Priests; Order of the Silver Trowel, Monte Sano York Rite College No. 64; Knights Cross of Honor; Jerusalem Tabernacle No. XXXII, Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests.

Richard served the Grand York Rite Bodies of Alabama as Most Illustrious Grand Master in 1992-1993 and Right Eminent Grand Commander in 1984-1985. He was the Grand Representative of the Grand Commandery of the District of Columbia near the Grand Commandery of Alabama; the Grand Representative of the Grand Council of Royal and Select Masters of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania near the Grand Council of Royal and

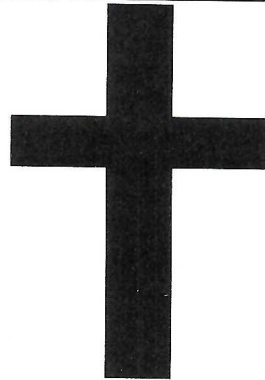
**Select Masters of the State of Alabama and the Grand Representative of the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Quebec, Canada near the Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Alabama.**

**He will be missed by many.**

**He is survived by his wife, Dorothy Hamilton, three sons, Sim Hamilton, Jr., of Trinity, Steve Hamilton of Decatur and Roy Hamilton of Tuscaloosa; two daughters, Karen Hamilton and Regina Hamilton McCreery, both of Decatur; four brothers, Fred Hamilton, Raymond Hamilton and Joe Lee Hamilton, all of Decatur and Garrold Hamilton of Hartselle; three grand children and three great grand children.**

**With deep sympathy for the family,**

**Bobby R. Terry**



INSCRIBED TO THE MEMORY

OF

OUR HONORED DEAD

AND IN MEMORY

OF THE

DECEASED SIR KNIGHTS

IN

OTHER GRAND JURISDICTIONS



### MINUTES OF LAST CONCLAVE

Sir Knight Arthur C. Harding moved that the minutes as published in the Proceedings of 1998 be accepted as the minutes, and that they be approved as printed.

*Motion seconded and carried.*

### GRAND COMMANDERY OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR CONCLAVE - 2000

It was moved that the next Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama conclave be held in Birmingham, Alabama on February 27, 28 and 29, 2000.

*Motion seconded and carried.*

## GRAND ENCAMPMENT OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR

of the United



States of America

## KNIGHTS TEMPLAR CROSS OF HONOR

"The Knights Templar Cross of Honor shall be awarded only for exceptional and meritorious service to the Order of Knights Templar, far beyond the call of duty, and beyond the service usually expected of an Officer or Member. In deciding upon the award, precedents shall be entirely ignored and each case shall be decided upon its own merits. No posthumous awards may be made." (*Grand Encampment regulation.*)

## PRESENTATION OF THE GRAND ENCAMPMENT KNIGHTS TEMPLAR CROSS OF HONOR AWARD

The Right Eminent Grand Commander, Bobby R. Terry, selected Sir Knight Henry B. Tyra, Jr. of Huntsville Commandery No.723 to receive the Grand Encampment Knights Templar Cross of Honor Award. The presentation was made at the Grand York Rite Banquet on Sunday Night by Right Eminent William J. Jones, Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America. Sir Knight Tyra's name is added to the list of previous recipients of this prestigious award.

### RECIPIENTS IN ALABAMA KNIGHTS TEMPLAR CROSS OF HONOR

*Alexander Murray Weems .....	1960
*Charles Curtis McCoy .....	1967
Horace Richard Batchelor .....	1968
+William G. Caffey, Jr. ....	1969
*John F. Welch, Sr. ....	1970
*James Merlin Christopher, Sr. ....	1971
*Earl Pervine Woodall .....	1972
*John Sebastian Gamundi .....	1973
*Arlie Eldon Blackburn .....	1974
*James Allen Bradford .....	1975
*Norman Curtis Wilkinson .....	1976
*Johnnie H. Ray, Sr. ....	1977
*Charles Carl Graham .....	1978
*Lawrence Kline .....	1979
*John Doyal Prince, Jr. ....	1980
Loyd D. Durden .....	1981
Charles William McDonald .....	1982
Charles Robert Pate .....	1983
*Richard A. Chapman .....	1984
Bobby Clyde Park .....	1985
#Robert Lee Byars, Jr. ....	1986
*James Paul Gray .....	1987
Ernest Latroy Bishop, Sr. ....	1988
Thomas Franklin Craig .....	1989
MacArthur Davis .....	1990
James F. Vaughan .....	1991
Homer Lee Tidwell .....	1992
Walter J. Krueger .....	1993
Billy Allen Clark .....	1994
William Jesse Bice .....	1995
Dan Maddox .....	1996
Robert Frank Elkin .....	1997
Patrick B. Bleakley .....	1998
Henry B. Tyra, Jr. ....	1999

\*Denotes deceased.

+Denotes suspended

#Renounced Masonry

ELECTION OF GRAND COMMANDERY OFFICERS  
FOR 1999 - 2000

There being no further business to come before this Annual Conclave of the Grand Commandery, the Grand Commandery proceeded to the election of officers for the ensuing year. All the officers, except the Eminent Grand Warder were elected by acclamation. Each officer was advanced one station with the exception of the Eminent Grand Treasurer and the Eminent Grand Recorder, who shall remain in their stations.

Sir Knight Robert A. Moore of Etowah Commandery #15 was elected by secret ballot to the station of Grand Warder. Sir Knight Moore accepted election to the office.

This Grand Commandery was concluded with prayer to reconvene at eleven A.M., for open installation of the Grand Officers.

INSTALLATION OF GRAND COMMANDERY OFFICERS  
FOR 1999 - 2000

At the conclusion of the Grand Chapter, Grand Council, and the Grand Commandery annual business sessions on Tuesday, February 23, 1999, at an open meeting, the Grand Commandery Officers were duly installed by Past Right Eminent Grand Commander, McMurray L. Griffith with Past Right Eminent Grand Commander Fred W. Vaughan as Installing Marshal and Past Right Eminent Grand Commander, Erskine K. Smith as Installing Prelate.

The new Grand Commander, Sir Knight Joe D. Lee, was invested with the jewel of his office by his wife, Martha. After the investiture, he made several remarks concerning the great honor which had been bestowed upon him.

Right Eminent Bobby R. Terry, Junior Past Grand Commander, was then escorted to the East and Grand Commander Lee presented Sir Knight Terry with his Past Grand Commander's Certificate and Past Grand Commander's Jewel which was pinned on his uniform. A presentation of a Past Grand Commander's plaque from the Grand Encampment, stating that he is a permanent member of the Grand Encampment of the United States of America had been previously presented to Right Eminent Sir Knight Terry at the Grand York Rite Banquet on Sunday night.

Attest: *Arthur C. Harding,*  
*Grand Recorder*

ADJOURNMENT

All business of this Annual Conclave being concluded, Right Eminent Sir Knight Lee declared the 139th Conclave of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama adjourned after the Prelate had pronounced the benediction.

Attest: *Arthur C. Harding*  
*Grand Recorder*



JOE D. LEE

Right Eminent Grand Commander  
1999 - 2000

**JOE D. LEE**

Right Eminent Grand Commander  
1999 - 2000

**PERSONAL HISTORY**

Sir Knight Joe David Lee was born February 14, 1935 in Birmingham, Alabama, the son of David Marion Lee (who was an active York Rite Mason of the Birmingham York Rite Bodies) and Lola Meadows Lee. He attended the Birmingham City Schools and graduated from Woodlawn High School in January, 1953. He attended the University of Alabama in Tuscaloosa, graduating in August 1956 with a Bachelor of Science Degree in Business Administration.

He met the former Martha Anne Fussell of Mobile, Alabama while participating in a pledge swap at the University. They were married on March 30, 1957 at the Springhill Baptist Church in Mobile.

He worked in the Division Office in Birmingham for Standard Oil Company (now Chevron) from November 1956 until May, 1960 with the exception of six months of active duty in the United States Army from April, 1957-October, 1957. He took basic training at Fort Jackson, South Carolina and spent the balance of the six month tour of duty at Fort Benjamin Harrison, Indiana which is near Indianapolis. After completing the six months of active duty, he returned to Birmingham and served 5½ years in the finance section of the Dixie Division of the Alabama National Guard. Past Grand Commander Anthony V. Jannett was his commanding officer.

In July 1960, Sir Knight Lee was employed by the Jefferson County Department of Revenue as an auditor and served in that capacity until February, 1968. At that time he transferred to the Comptroller's office of the Jefferson County Commission where he served until his retirement on June 30, 1990. While in the Comptroller's office he served as Payroll Supervisor from October, 1972 to June 1980. From June, 1980 through June, 1990 he served as Accounts Payable Supervisor.

He was a long time member of Ruhama Baptist Church in the East Lake section of Birmingham where he was ordained a Deacon in 1968 and served on the Deacon Board for several years. In 1976 he met and became friends with our Grand Prelate Dr. and Sir Knight Padgett C. Cope when Dr. Cope was called as pastor of Ruhama where he served for twelve years.

Joe is now a member of Huffman Baptist Church where he has served on the Deacon Council for three years and several years on the finance committee.

**MASONIC HISTORY**

Sir Knight Lee was initiated in Birmingham Lodge No. 757 on September 5, 1956 and passed to the Degree of Fellowcraft on September 19, 1956 and raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason on September 26, 1956. He transferred to King Hiram Lodge No. 774 in 1963 and was Master in 1966-1967. On September 30 1987 King Hiram Lodge No. 774 voted to consolidate with Birmingham Lodge No. 757. He was Master of this Lodge in 1996-1997.

He received the Capitular Degrees in Mineral City Chapter No. 101 (now Birmingham Metro Chapter No. 76) on October 20, 1956 and served as High Priest, 1965-1966. He is a member of the Council of Anointed High Priests and is Grand Representative of Kansas near the Grand Chapter of Alabama.

He received the Cryptic Degrees in Sam Thompson Council No. 43 (now Birmingham Metro Council No. 43) on November 1, 1956 and served as Thrice Illustrious Master, 1964-1965. He has received the Super Excellent Master Degree. He is a member of the Order of the Silver Trowel and is Grand Representative of the Grand Council of Louisiana near the Grand Council of Alabama.

He received the Chivalric Orders in Cyrene Commandery No. 10 on October 27, 1956 and served as Eminent Commander 1970-1971. He is a member of the Knight Crusaders of the Cross and is Grand Representative of Florida near the Grand Commandery of Alabama.

#### OTHER MASONIC ACTIVITIES

Past Sovereign, St. Dunstan Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine, Birmingham, 1994-1995.

Past Preceptor, Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests, Jerusalem Tabernacle No. 32, 1997-1998.

Prior, Alabama Priory No. 31, K.Y.C.H., 1999-2000

Officer of Vulcan Council No. 22, Knight Masons.

Treasurer, Emrys W. John York Rite College No. 179.

Member of the Scottish Rite, Valley of Birmingham.

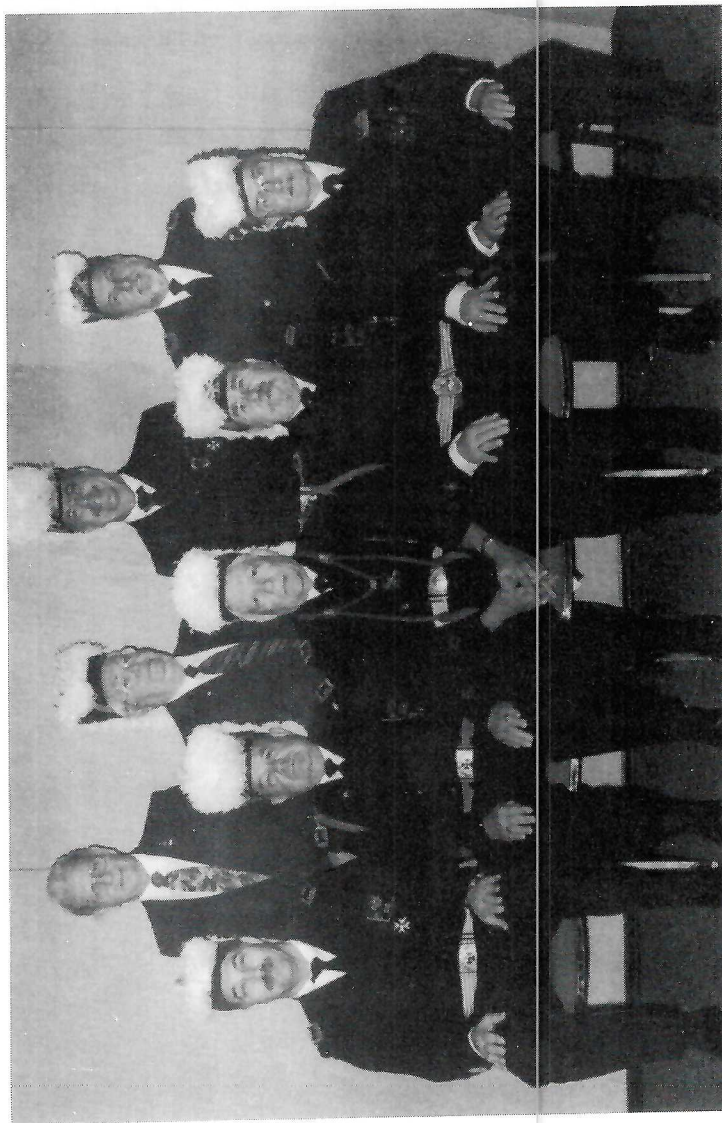
Member of Zamora Shrine Temple, Birmingham.

Life Sponsor of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc.

Treasurer, Birmingham Lodge No. 757, F. & A. M.

Treasurer, Birmingham Metro York Rite Bodies.

President Birmingham Metro York Rite Holding Company, Inc.



GRAND COMMANDERY OFFICERS FOR 1999 - 2000

Seated left to right:

Philip J. Sherman, Jesse W. Locke, Joe D. Lee, (Right Eminent Grand Commander), Wayne D. Jordan, Arthur C. Harding

Standing left to right: Robert A. Moore, Fred W. McCluskey, Jr., Thomas F. Craig, Roger A. Simmons

## GRAND COMMANDERY OFFICERS 1999 - 2000

Joe D. Lee, K.Y.C.H. .... *Right Eminent Grand Commander*  
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 4907 Summerville Road, Phenix City, 36867 ..... 334-297-8587

Wayne D. Jordan, K.Y.C.H. .... *Eminent Grand Generalissimo*  
 929 Tascosa Drive, Huntsville, 35802 ..... 256-881-9299

Robert T. Crawford, K.Y.C.H. .... *Eminent Grand Captain General*  
 911 4th Terrace, Pleasant Grove, 35127 ..... 205-744-7270

Phillip J. Sherman, K.Y.C.H. .... *Eminent Grand Senior Warden*  
 2205-C Graham Avenue, S.W. Decatur, 35601 ..... 256-353-5593

Anthony M. Deming ..... *Eminent Grand Junior Warden*  
 130 Shoal Creek Road, Hayden, 35076 ..... 205-559-7831

Dr. Padgett C. Cope ..... *Eminent Grand Prelate*  
 3883 Overton Manor Trail, Birmingham, 35243 ..... 205-967-4444

Fred W. McCluskey, Jr., K.Y.C.H. .... *Eminent Grand Treasurer*  
 2201 3rd Street, N.E., Birmingham, 35215 ..... 205-854-9187

James A. Kile, K.Y.C.H. .... *Eminent Grand Treasurer, Emeritus*  
 200 18th Avenue, N.W., Birmingham, 35215

Arthur C. Harding, K.Y.C.H. .... *Eminent Grand Recorder*  
 P. O. Box 100333, Birmingham, 35210 ..... 205-951-0111

Thomas W. Mann, K.Y.C.H. .... *Eminent Grand Recorder, Emeritus*  
 354 Sun Valley Circle, Birmingham, 35215

Roger A. Simmons, K.Y.C.H. .... *Eminent Grand Standard Bearer*  
 P. O. Box 268, Newton, 36352 ..... 334-299-3705

Thomas F. Craig, K.Y.C.H. .... *Eminent Grand Sword Bearer*  
 1000 Lexington Street, S.E., Huntsville, 35801 ..... 256-539-3379

Robert A. Moore, K.Y.C.H. .... *Eminent Grand Warden*  
 5395 #1 Fairview Cove Road, Altoona, 35952

Louis W. Meyer, Jr., K.Y.C.H. .... *Eminent Grand Sentinel*  
 5701 Avenue P, Ensley, Birmingham, 352258 ..... 205-925-5981

## STANDING COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

FOR 1999 - 2000

Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Alabama

## CREDENTIALS AND REGISTRATION:

Arlice O. Stanford, K.Y.C.H. *Chairman*  
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Owen E. Gore, ..... 1680 Highway 78, Leeds, 35094

## TEMPLAR JURISPRUDENCE:

Fred W. Vaughan, K.Y.C.H., *Chairman*  
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Clarence F. Rhea, K.Y.C.H. .... 2104 Scenic Drive, Gadsden, 35901

Erskine K. Smith, K.Y.C.H. .... 1835 Cheaha Drive. Oxford, 36203

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Michael L. Jones, K.Y.C.H. .... 1711 Cagle Avenue, Decatur, 35601

Charles R. Pate, K.Y.C.H. .... 1905 Canterbury Square, Anniston, 36207



## RITUALISTIC WORK:

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## SPECIAL COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

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 Charles R. Pate, K.Y.C.H. ....1905 Canterbury Square, Anniston, 36207

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FOUNDATION:

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 358 Riverside Drive, Gadsden, 35903

## SPECIAL COMMITTEE FOR GRAND COMMANDER:

All Past Grand Commanders

TRANSPORTATION COMMITTEE:

Jack C. Wade, *Chairman*.....54 Huntmaster Lane, Pelham, 35124  
Frank W. Little.....5728 Belleridge Trail, Birmingham, 35210

## KNIGHT CRUSADERS OF THE CROSS OF ALABAMA

The Twentieth Annual Meeting of the Knight Crusaders of the Cross of Alabama was held on Monday, February 22, 1999, at the York Rite Temple, Mobile, Alabama with Knight Lance C. Anthony presiding. The degree team was composed of the following:

Arthur C. Harding.....*Knight Crusader of the East*  
 Joseph D. Brackin.....*Knight Crusader of the West*  
 George Marshall.....*Knight Crusader of the South*  
 Emory J. Ferguson.....*Knight Crusader of the North*  
 Bobby Ray Terry.....*Knight Crusader of the Holy Cross*

The Order was conferred on the following candidates: William E. Baggett, Darren O'Neal Davis, Robert E. Dumas, Ray C. Dunn, Roman Hochhalter, George W. Murrill, Jr, James Arthur Smith and Baker Turk.

The minutes of the 1998 Conclave were adopted as printed in the Proceedings. Motion was made and seconded that \$1,000.00 be paid to the Voluntary Campaign of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation. The motion carried. The following officers were elected and installed by Sir Knight Joseph D. Brackin:

James E. Stutts.....*Knight Crusader of the East*  
 James F. Vaughan.....*Knight Crusader of the West*  
 George L. Marshall, Jr.....*Knight Crusader of the South*  
 MacArthur Davis.....*Knight Crusader of the North*  
 Joseph D. Brackin.....*Knight Crusader Treasurer-Recorder*  
 Robert T. Crawford.....*Knight Crusader of the Holy Cross*  
 Roger A. Simmons.....*Knight Crusader of the Temple*  
 Fred W. McCluskey, Jr.....*Knight Crusader Sentinel*

George L. Marshall, Jr.  
 Knight Crusader of the South

Attest: Joseph D. Brackin  
 Knight Crusader Recorder

REGISTER OF CONSTITUENT COMMANDERIES UNDER THE JURISDICTION OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF  
ALABAMA  
JUNE, 1998 - 1999

NO. NAME	LOCATION	COMMANDER & ADDRESS	RECORDER & ADDRESS	CONCLAVE DATE
2. Mobile	Mobile	George W. Murrill, Jr. 9966 Coleman Dairy Rd Wilmer, 36575	Charles W. McDonald 615 Morgan Avenue Mobile, 36606	4nd Monday
4. Montgomery	Montgomery	Roman Hochhalter 304 Cornell Road Montgomery, 36109	William J. Loerch 208 Pine Forest Drive Wetumpka, 36093	1st Thursday
7. Huntsville	Huntsville	Ray C. Dunn 376 College Park Court Huntsville, 35805	Wayne D. Jordan 929 Tascosa Drive Huntsville, 35802	2nd Tuesday
10. Cyrene	Birmingham	Lettus G. Eads 608 Basswood Drive Adamsville, 35005	McMurray L. Griffith 433 Sunset Drive Birmingham, 35216	3rd Saturday
13. Tuscaloosa	Tuscaloosa	Thurman W. Lee 318 Vicksburg Drive Tuscaloosa, 35406-1762	Thomas A. Henderson 4901 15 <sup>th</sup> Place, E. Tuscaloosa 35404	2nd Friday
14. DeMolay	Decatur	Robert E. Dumas 1606 8 <sup>th</sup> Avenue, S.W. Decatur, 35601	Bobby R. Terry P. O. Box 1312 Decatur, 35602	1st Thursday
15. Etowah	Gadsden	F. Jackson Minshew 520 Padenreich Avenue East Gadsden, 35903	Jared I. Phillips 1525 Lakemont Drive, S. Southside, 35907	1st Thursday

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ALABAMA (Continued)  
JUNE, 1998 - 1999

NO. NAME	LOCATION	COMMANDER & ADDRESS	RECORDER & ADDRESS	CONCLAVE DATE
23. Anniston	Anniston	Scott E. Duncan 1221 Early Street Oxford, 36203	Charles R. Pate 1905 Canterbury Square Anniston, 36207	First & Third Saturday
25. Dothan	Dothan	James A. Smith 102 Wood Place Court Ozark, 36360	Joseph D. Brackin 2102 Hardwick Drive Dothan, 36303	3rd Thursday
29. Piedmont	Piedmont	Kenneth R. Grissom 500 James Street Piedmont, 36272	Jerry R. Kirk 321 Aderholdt Road Piedmont, 36272	2nd Thursday
31. Woodlawn	Birmingham	William E. Baggett 2573 Gaylon Street Birmingham, 35235	Frank T. Butler, Jr. 965 Parkway Drive Birmingham, 35215	2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday
39. Florence	Florence	Edgar B. Burgess, Jr. 580 Renee Street Tuscumbia, 35674	James E. Stutts 612 E. Pasadena Avenue Muscle Shoals, 35661	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday
45. Lee	Phenix City	Donald D. Gilbert 606 Lee Road 238 Phenix City, 36867	Lance C. Anthony P. O. Box 3050 Phenix City, 36868	3rd Tuesday
46. DeKalb-Jackson Scottsboro	Scottsboro	Not reported	Floyd L. Hambrick, Jr. 1190 County Road 120 Section, 35771	1st Wednesday

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 JUNE, 1998 - 1999

NO.	NAME	LOCATION	COMMANDER & ADDRESS	RECORDER & ADDRESS	CONCLAVE DATE
47	Monroeville	Monroeville	Baker Turk 4140 Semirah Springs, Box 400 Uriah, 36480	MacArthur Davis 4291 Grissett Bridge Rd. Brewton, 36426	4th Friday

## GRAND ENCAMPMENT OFFICERS, 1997 -2000

James M. Ward.....*Most Eminent Grand Master*  
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P. O. Box 48, Villa Grove, Illinois, 61956-0048

Kenneth B. Fischer.....*Right Eminent Grand Generalissimo*  
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Richard B. Baldwin.....*Right Grand Captain General*  
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Sam E. Hilburn.....*Right Eminent Grand Treasurer*  
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Charles R. Neumann.....*Right Eminent Grand Recorder*  
5097 North Elston Avenue, Suite 101, Chicago, Illinois 60630

Donald Hinslea Smith.....*Right Eminent Grand Prelate*  
1041 Idylwild Drive, Richmond, Kentucky 40475

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Ned E. Dull.....1982-1985  
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Donald H. Smith.....1985-1988  
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Marvin E. Fowler.....1988-1991  
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William H. Thornley, Jr.....1991-1994  
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Blair C. Mayford.....1994-1997  
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**61st GRAND ENCAMPMENT TRIENNIAL CONCLAVE  
OF KNIGHTS TEMPLAR  
NASHVILLE, TENNESSEE  
August 13 - 16, 2000**

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Joseph D. Brackin, P.D.C. .... Trustee (2003) of the Permanent Fund  
Charles R. Pate, P.G.C. .... Alabama Coordinator



## GRAND RECORDERS AND THEIR ADDRESSES

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Mississippi	Fred F. Bean	P. O. Box 1030 Meridian, 39302-1030
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Montana	Charles F. Tesch	1923 10 <sup>th</sup> Avenue, South Great Falls, 59405
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New Jersey	Edward Pywell, Jr.	509 Orchard Street Delanco, 08075-4319
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Dallas, 75201

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Virginia.....	John E. Foster.....	4101 Nine Mile Road Richmond, 23223-4999
Washington.....	Robert J. Johnston.....	501 E. Mt. View #8 Ellensburg, 98926
West Virginia.....	H. Courtney Jones.....	2103 Percy Avenue Parkersburg, 26101
Wisconsin.....	Milton F. Gregory.....	Grand York Rite Grand Masonic Center 36275 Sunset Drive Dousman, 53118
Wyoming.....	Kenneth S. Watts.....	506 West Park Avenue Riverton 82501
GRAND ENCAMPMENT..	Charles R. Neumann.....	5097 North Elston Ave. Suite 101 Chicago, Illinois 60630

TABULAR VIEW OF THE GRAND COMMANDERY OF ALABAMA SINCE ITS FORMATION  
On Friday, November 30, 1860, in Montgomery, Alabama

Year	Place of Meeting	Grand Commander	Deputy Commander	Grand Generalissimo	Grand Captain	General Recorder	Number of Commanderies	Total Members
1860	Montgomery	*Richard F. Knott	*William Field	*James B. Harrison	*Peleg Brown	*Edmund M. Hastings	5	144
1861	Montgomery	*Richard F. Knott	*Sterling A. M. Wood	*James B. Harrison	*Peleg Brown	*Edmund M. Hastings	5	155
1862	Montgomery	No quorum present	Adjourned to Dec. 5, 1863					
1863	Montgomery	*Richard F. Knott	*Henry P. Lee	*James B. Harrison	*Peleg Brown	*Edmund M. Hastings	5	127
1864	Montgomery	*Richard F. Knott	*James B. Harrison	*Peleg Brown	*William S. Knox	*Edmund M. Hastings	5	141
1865	Montgomery	*Richard F. Knott	*James B. Harrison	*Peleg Brown	*William S. Knox	*Edmund M. Hastings	6	113
1866	Montgomery	*Richard F. Knott	*James B. Harrison	*Peleg Brown	*George D. Norris	*Edmund M. Hastings	7	207
1867	Montgomery	*Richard F. Knott	*Peleg Brown	*George D. Norris	*Abram J. Walker	*Edmund M. Hastings	7	227
1868	Montgomery	*Peleg Brown	*Abram J. Walker	*George D. Norris	*Abram J. Walker	*Edmund M. Hastings	8	249
1869	Mobile	*Peleg Brown	*Joseph H. Johnson	*William W. Harder	*John N. Browder	*Daniel Sayre	9	242
1870	Mobile	*Abram J. Walker	*Joseph H. Johnson	*William W. Harder	*Walter L. Bragg	*Daniel Sayre	9	235
1871	Montgomery	Adjourned in December, 1870, to meet in February, 1872						
1872	Montgomery	*Joseph H. Johnson	*Walter L. Bragg	*Porter Knig	*Andrew J. Blair	*Daniel Sayre	9	283
1873	Montgomery	*Walter L. Bragg	*George P. I. Reid	*John J. Dement	*Stephen H. Beasley	*Daniel Sayre	9	286
1874	Montgomery	*Walter L. Bragg	*John G. Smith	*James B. Luckie	*Stephen H. Beasley	*Daniel Sayre	10	264
1875	Mobile	*Felix G. Norman	*Benjamin H. Riggs	*William S. Foster	*Stephen H. Beasley	*Daniel Sayre	9	234
1876	Montgomery	*John G. Smith	*William S. Foster	*Stephen H. Beasley	*Daniel Smith	*Daniel Sayre	9	236
1877	Mobile	*William S. Foster	*John G. Smith	*Stephen H. Beasley	*Daniel Smith	*Daniel Sayre	9	209
1878	Mobile	*William S. Foster	*William S. Foster	*Stephen H. Beasley	*Robert Moulthrop	*Daniel Sayre	9	210
1879	Montgomery	*William S. Foster	*Stephen H. Beasley	*Daniel Smith	*Robert Moulthrop	*Daniel Sayre	9	206
1880	Montgomery	*Stephen H. Beasley	*Stephen H. Beasley	*Robert Moulthrop	*Francis P. O'Brien	*Daniel Sayre	7	215
1881	Mobile	*Daniel Smith	*Daniel Smith	*James T. Holtzclaw	*Francis P. O'Brien	*Daniel Sayre	8	212
1882	Steeger	*Daniel Smith	*Daniel Smith	*James T. Holtzclaw	*John H. Higley	*Daniel Sayre	9	222
1883	Montgomery	*James T. Holtzclaw	*James T. Holtzclaw	*William T. Atkins	*John H. Higley	*Daniel Sayre	9	222
1884	Montgomery	*James T. Holtzclaw	*John H. Higley	*John D. Wilkins	*John H. Higley	*Daniel Sayre	10	245
1885	Mobile	*Daniel Smith	*John H. Higley	*John D. Wilkins	*Henry C. Davidson	*Daniel Sayre	10	321
1886	Montgomery	*Daniel Smith	*John D. Wilkins	*Henry C. Davidson	*Henry C. Davidson	*Daniel Sayre	7	209
1887	Mobile	*Henry C. Davidson	*Henry C. Davidson	*William A. Alexander	*William F. Aldrich	*Daniel Sayre	6	195
1888	Montgomery	*Henry C. Davidson	*William A. Alexander	*John A. McKinnon	*James B. Luckie	*Adam R. Baker	6	202
1889	Montgomery	*William A. Alexander	*William A. Alexander	*John A. McKinnon	*Charles Wheelock	*Edmund R. Hastings	6	220
1890	Mobile	*John A. McKinnon	*John A. McKinnon	*Charles Wheelock	*Charles Wheelock	*Edmund R. Hastings	5	209
1891	Mobile	*John A. McKinnon	*John A. McKinnon	*Charles Wheelock	*George S. Obeare	*Edmund R. Hastings	8	266
1892	Mobile	*John A. McKinnon	*Charles Wheelock	*George S. Obeare	*William H. Long	*Edmund R. Hastings	9	308
1893	Mobile	*Charles Wheelock	*Charles Wheelock	*William H. Long	*Charles Hann	*Edmund R. Hastings	9	342
1894	Montgomery	*Charles Wheelock	*William H. Long	*Fletcher J. Cowart	*Robert L. Douglass	*Edmund R. Hastings	9	357
1895	Montgomery	*Fletcher J. Cowart	*Fletcher J. Cowart	*Robert L. Douglass	*Milton C. Baldridge	*William B. Phillips	10	368
1896	Mobile	*Robert L. Douglass	*Robert L. Douglass	*Henry H. Matthews	*Philip Milhous	*H. Clay Armstrong	10	376
1897	Montgomery	*Henry H. Matthews	*Henry H. Matthews	*Philip Milhous	*William E. Oakley	*H. Clay Armstrong	9	382
1898	Montgomery	*Philip Milhous	*Philip Milhous	*William E. Oakley	*Rus. M. Cunningham	*H. Clay Armstrong	10	380
1898	Mobile	*William E. Oakley	*William E. Oakley	*Rus. M. Cunningham	*Robert Moulthrop, Jr.	*H. Clay Armstrong	7	288
1899	Mobile	*William E. Oakley	*Rus. M. Cunningham	*Robert Moulthrop, Jr	*George F. Wheelock	*H. Clay Armstrong	6	298



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1940	Montgomery	*William W. Waldo	*Frank W. Gaines	*Robert T. Sheppard	*Newman S. Cryer	*Newman S. Cryer	*Guy T. Smith	23	2,295
1941	Montgomery	*Frank W. Gaines	*Robert T. Sheppard	*Newman S. Cryer	*Hoyt McClendon	*Hoyt McClendon	*Guy T. Smith	23	2,265
1942	Montgomery	*Newman S. Cryer	*Hoyt McClendon	*Pleasant W. Gay	*Pleasant W. Gay	*Pleasant W. Gay	*Guy T. Smith	22	2,310
1943	Montgomery	*Hoyt McClendon	*Pleasant W. Gay	*A. Parker Mize	*A. Parker Mize	*A. Parker Mize	*Guy T. Smith	22	2,326
1944	Montgomery	*Pleasant W. Gay	*A. Parker Mize	*Clifford H. Williams	*Clifford H. Williams	*Clifford H. Williams	*Guy T. Smith	22	3,152
1945	Birmingham	*A. Parker Mize	*Clifford H. Williams	*Archelus F. Campbell	*Archelus F. Campbell	*Archelus F. Campbell	*Guy T. Smith	25	4,494
1946	Birmingham	*Clifford H. Williams	*Archelus F. Campbell	*James B. Patterson	*James B. Patterson	*James B. Patterson	*C. H. Stubinger	25	5,198
1947	Birmingham	*Archelus F. Campbell	*James B. Patterson	*Julius L. Layman	*Julius L. Layman	*Julius L. Layman	*C. H. Stubinger	25	5,785
1948	Gadsden	*James B. Patterson	*Julius L. Layman	*Robert McL. Strong	*Robert McL. Strong	*Robert McL. Strong	*C. H. Stubinger	24	6,133
1949	Montgomery	*Julius L. Layman	*Robert McL. Strong	*Llewellyn R. Hillier	*Llewellyn R. Hillier	*Llewellyn R. Hillier	*C. H. Stubinger	24	6,499
1950	Birmingham	*Llewellyn R. Hillier	*Edgar M. Gober	*Emrys W. John	*Emrys W. John	*Emrys W. John	*C. H. Stubinger	25	6,651
1951	Mobile	*Edgar M. Gober	*J. Collier Foster	*George G. Rees	*George G. Rees	*George G. Rees	*C. H. Stubinger	25	6,887
1952	Selma	*Emrys W. John	*J. Collier Foster	*Lonnie H. Teele	*Lonnie H. Teele	*Lonnie H. Teele	*C. H. Stubinger	26	7,131
1953	Flomence	*J. Collier Foster	*George G. Rees	*V. A. Meadows, Sr.	*V. A. Meadows, Sr.	*V. A. Meadows, Sr.	*C. H. Stubinger	27	8,101
1954	Huntsville	*George G. Rees	*Lonnie H. Teele	*Holden B. Norwood	*Holden B. Norwood	*Holden B. Norwood	*C. H. Stubinger	28	8,935
1955	Tuscaloosa	*Lonnie H. Teele	*V. A. Meadows, Sr.	*George W. Sorrell	*George W. Sorrell	*George W. Sorrell	*C. H. Stubinger	28	9,272
1956	Montgomery	*V. A. Meadows, Sr.	*Holden B. Norwood	*Claude Stallworth	*Claude Stallworth	*Claude Stallworth	*C. C. McCoy, P.T.	27	9,584
1957	Birmingham	*Holden B. Norwood	*George W. Sorrell	*George H. Crook	*George H. Crook	*George H. Crook	*C. H. Stubinger	27	9,835
1958	Montgomery	*George W. Sorrell	*Claude Stallworth	*George H. Crook	*George H. Crook	*George H. Crook	*C. H. Stubinger	26	9,975
1959	Decatur	*Claude Stallworth	*George H. Crook	*George H. Crook	*George H. Crook	*George H. Crook	*C. H. Stubinger	26	10,073
1960	Birmingham	*Claude Stallworth	*Arthur C. Wilson	*Thomas W. Oliver	*Thomas W. Oliver	*Thomas W. Oliver	*T. L. Cochran	26	10,084
1961	Tuscaloosa	*Arthur C. Wilson	*Thomas W. Oliver	*Earl D. Holmes	*Earl D. Holmes	*Earl D. Holmes	*Gordon L. Evatt	26	10,075
1962	Mobile	*Thomas W. Oliver	*Earl D. Holmes	*Julian P. Butler	*Julian P. Butler	*Julian P. Butler	*Gordon L. Evatt	26	10,085
1963	Birmingham	*Earl D. Holmes	*Julian P. Butler	*John S. Robinson	*John S. Robinson	*John S. Robinson	*Thomas W. Oliver	27	9,974
1964	Birmingham	*John S. Robinson	*Charles L. Campbell	*Bruce W. Phelps	*Bruce W. Phelps	*Bruce W. Phelps	*Thomas W. Oliver	27	9,918
1965	Sylacauga	*C. L. Campbell	*Bruce W. Phelps	*Anthony V. Jannett	*Anthony V. Jannett	*Anthony V. Jannett	*Thomas W. Oliver	27	9,847
1966	Tuscaloosa	*Bruce W. Phelps	*Anthony V. Jannett	*Ray B. Hartwell	*Ray B. Hartwell	*Ray B. Hartwell	*Thomas W. Oliver	27	9,808
1967	Birmingham	*Anthony V. Jannett	*Ray B. Hartwell	*Charles L. Jones	*Charles L. Jones	*Charles L. Jones	*Thomas W. Oliver	27	9,692
1968	Birmingham	*Ray B. Hartwell	*Charles L. Jones	*Clifford J. Turner	*Clifford J. Turner	*Clifford J. Turner	*Thomas W. Oliver	26	9,494
1969	Birmingham	*Charles L. Jones	*Clifford J. Turner	*Frank M. James	*Frank M. James	*Frank M. James	*Thomas W. Oliver	26	9,295
1970	Mobile	*Clifford J. Turner	*S. F. Jackson, Jr.	*Thomas W. Mann	*Thomas W. Mann	*Thomas W. Mann	*Thomas W. Oliver	26	9,226
1971	Birmingham	*S. F. Jackson, Jr.	*Thomas W. Mann	*Michael L. Jones	*Michael L. Jones	*Michael L. Jones	*Thomas W. Oliver	26	9,116
1972	Gadsden	*Thomas W. Mann	*Michael L. Jones	*Charles D. Miller	*Charles D. Miller	*Charles D. Miller	*Thomas W. Oliver	26	8,971
1973	Tuscaloosa	*Michael L. Jones	*Charles D. Miller	*McMurray L. Griffith	*McMurray L. Griffith	*McMurray L. Griffith	*Thomas W. Mann	26	8,677
1974	Birmingham	*Charles D. Miller	*McMurray L. Griffith	*Wm. M. Newsome, Jr.	*Wm. M. Newsome, Jr.	*Wm. M. Newsome, Jr.	*Thomas W. Mann	26	8,439
1975	Birmingham	*McMurray L. Griffith	*William M. Newsome	*Fred W. Vaughan	*Fred W. Vaughan	*Fred W. Vaughan	*Thomas W. Mann	25	8,608
1976	Birmingham	*Wm. M. Newsome, Jr.	*Fred W. Vaughan	*Arthur C. Harding	*Arthur C. Harding	*Arthur C. Harding	*Thomas W. Mann	25	8,465
1977	Birmingham	*M. L. Fegenbush	*Fred W. Vaughan	*Joseph D. Brackin	*Joseph D. Brackin	*Joseph D. Brackin	*Thomas W. Mann	25	8,516
1977	Birmingham	*M. L. Fegenbush	*Fred W. Vaughan	*Joseph D. Brackin	*Joseph D. Brackin	*Joseph D. Brackin	*Thomas W. Mann	25	8,215

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1878	Birmi	1878	Fred W. Vaughan	Arthur C. Harding	Joseph D. Brackin	Robert E. Shipp	Thomas W. Mann	25	8,092
1879	Birmi	1879	Arthur C. Harding	Joseph D. Brackin	Robert E. Shipp	Erskine K. Shipp	Thomas W. Mann	24	7,834
1880	Birmi	1880	Joseph D. Brackin	Robert E. Shipp	Erskine K. Smith	William H. Ealy	Thomas W. Mann	24	7,631
1881	Dotha	1881	Robert E. Shipp	Erskine K. Smith	William H. Ealy	*Richard Sim Hamilton	Thomas W. Mann	24	7,592
1882	Birmi	1882	Erskine K. Smith	William H. Ealy	*Richard Sim Hamilton	*W. Sterling Roberts	Thomas W. Mann	23	7,278
1883	Birmi	1883	William H. Ealy	*Richard S. Hamilton	*W. Sterling Roberts	*George E. Tremelling	Thomas W. Mann	22	7,117
1884	Hunts	1884	*Richard S. Hamilton	*W. Sterling Roberts	*George E. Tremelling	*James L. Allen	Thomas W. Mann	22	6,993
1885	Birmi	1885	*W. S. Roberts	James H. Lee	Emory J. Ferguson	Charles W. McDonald	Thomas W. Mann	21	6,861
1886	Birmi	1886	*G. E. Tremelling	James H. Lee	Emory J. Ferguson	*Ray R. Morgan, Jr.	Thomas W. Mann	20	6,614
1887	Birmi	1887	James H. Lee	Emory J. Ferguson	Charles W. McDonald	*Ray R. Morgan, Jr.	Thomas W. Mann	19	6,653
1888	Sheff	1888	Emory J. Ferguson	Charles W. McDonald	*Ray R. Morgan, Jr.	Charles R. Pate	Thomas W. Mann	18	6,526
1889	Mobil	1889	C. W. McDonald	*Ray R. Morgan, Jr.	Charles R. Pate	Bobby C. Park	Thomas W. Mann	18	6,369
1890	Birmi	1890	*Ray R. Morgan, Jr.	Charles R. Pate	Bobby C. Park	Sam L. Garrett, Sr.	Thomas W. Mann	18	6,260
1891	Birmi	1891	Charles R. Pate	Bobby C. Park	Sam L. Garrett, Sr.	†Robert L. Byars, Jr.	Thomas W. Mann	18	5,945
1892	Birmi	1892	Bobby C. Park	Sam L. Garrett, Sr.	†Robert L. Byars, Jr.	*Teddy R. Grogan, Sr.	Arthur C. Harding	18	5,733
1893	Decat	1893	Sam L. Garrett, Sr.	†Robert L. Byars, Jr.	Geo. L. Marshall, Jr.	*Ray Rutledge	Arthur C. Harding	17	5,334
1894	Dotha	1894	†Robert L. Byars, Jr.	Geo. L. Marshall, Jr.	*Ray Rutledge	James R. Vaughan	Arthur C. Harding	17	4,965
1895	Birmi	1895	*Ray Rutledge	Geo. L. Marshall, Jr.	James R. Vaughan	Bobby Ray Terry	Arthur C. Harding	16	4,716
1896	Birmi	1896	Geo. L. Marshall, Jr.	James R. Vaughan	Bobby Ray Terry	Joe D. Lee	Arthur C. Harding	15	4,598
1897	Hunts	1897	James F. Vaughan	Bobby Ray Terry	Joe D. Lee	Jesse W. Locke	Arthur C. Harding	15	4,356
1898	Mobil	1898	Bobby Ray Terry	Joe D. Lee	Jesse W. Locke	Wayne Dee Jordan	Arthur C. Harding	15	4,177
1899	Birmi	1899	Joe D. Lee	Jesse W. Locke	Wayne Dee Jordan	Robert T. Crawford	Arthur C. Harding	15	

\*Denotes deceased  
†Renounced Membership

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Grand Commandery Office moved from Montgomery to Birmingham after election of Thomas W. Oliver as Grand Recorder in 1962

At the Annual Conclave, April, 1963, Earl D. Holmes was elected and installed as Grand Commander, but he died before he could serve.

At the Annual Conclave, April, 1973, Thomas W. Mann was elected Grand Recorder, Thomas W. Oliver was elected Grand Recorder Emeritus, and the Annual Conclave date was changed from April each year, to the last Monday in February to correspond with Grand Chapter and Grand Council.

As proof of Commandery's annual effort of Alabama to promote York Rite unity, the first combined meeting of the Grand Chapter, Grand Council, and Grand Commandery was held in February, 1974.

On November 1, 1974, the Grand York Rite Office moved to 3621 South Fifth Avenue, Birmingham.

In September, 1979, the Grand York Rite Office moved to 5504 1/2 North First Avenue, Birmingham, 35212.

On May 16, 1980, James A. Kille was appointed Grand Treasurer to succeed Hoyt McClendon who resigned.

At the Annual Conclave, February, 1981, Hoyt McClendon was elected Grand Treasurer, Emeritus.

On September 1, 1991, Thomas W. Mann and James A. Kille resigned as Grand Recorder and Grand Treasurer. Arthur C. Harding was appointed as Grand Recorder and Fred W. McCluskey, Jr. was appointed as Grand Treasurer.

At the Annual Conclave, February, 1992, Arthur C. Harding was elected Grand Recorder and Fred W. McCluskey, Jr. was elected Grand Treasurer. Thomas W. Mann was elected as Grand Recorder Emeritus and James A. Kille was elected as Grand Treasurer Emeritus.

On June 23, 1997, Past Grand Commander Robert L. Byars, Jr. renounced York Rite Masonry and is no longer a member.

On January 13, 1999 the Grand York Rite Office moved to 3430 Masonic Drive, Irondale, AL 35210.



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