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 "Serve passionately until relieved"

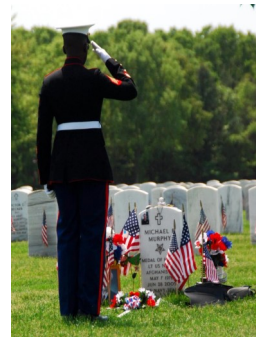


## The Prelates Quill

As we move to the new year, don't fear what is unknown, take strength in the word of God and the work he has put into you. *"But now thus says the Lord, he who created you, O Jacob, he who formed you, O Israel: "Fear not, for I have redeemed you; I have called you by name, you are mine. When you pass through the waters, I will be with you; and through the rivers, they shall not overwhelm you; when you walk through fire you shall not be burned, and the flame shall not consume you. For I am the Lord your God, the Holy One of Israel, your Savior. I give Egypt as your ransom, Cush and Seba in exchange for you. Because you are precious in my eyes, and honored, and I love you, I give men in return for you, peoples in exchange for your life. Fear not, for I am with you; I will bring your offspring from the east, and from the west I will gather you".* Isaiah 43: 1-28

**Happy New Year to my fellows and their ladies.** What a great time to be a mason in Michigan. Over the past years we have entered this new era of living the masonic life. We have started new programs dedicated to bringing to light, those that want to be here. We have instituted good practices on how to keep them and everyone is working toward the same goals. From our entered apprentice's to those exalted in higher degrees of both the York and Scottish Rite, we are joining forces closer than ever before to truly "Make Good Men Better". As just one of the elected leaders in the York Rite I am truly happy to see how we have turned the pages and are moving forward. So as we turn the calendar, I ask my fraters to continue the good work that you all do, to refresh the passion that brought you to the door of a Masonic life. Control that passion with the experiences of your journey add a new zeal and use it all together to help your Lodge, Chapter, Council or Commandery continue on the path to success for the generations to come. The calendar shows the months passing quickly since I again kneeled at the alter of our Grand Commandery, to take a place I once saw only in my dreams. We have already put behind us some great activities and so far I can call them all successful. I am looking forward to many more this coming year, both for my personal journey and the Grand journey I am honored to lead by your confidence. I look forward to finalizing the inspections for the year, visiting our fellow knights in Virginia for Easter, honoring those fallen in service to our country at Arlington and off course visiting friends at the EC region conference. Just a few of the highlights yet to come. From both Lady Christy and I we again thank you for allowing us to travel in service to you and this awesome masonic jurisdiction. God bring you peace, safety and the love of his son as we continue together down the paths of this life.

### Easter in Virginia



Again this year the Knights of Michigan have a chance to attend the Grand Encampment Easter Sunrise Service in Virginia. As the Grand Commander I have planned a trip to do just that. Current plans include a caravan from Michigan with a stop at the flight 93 National Memorial in Pennsylvania, An overnight stay in Breezewood PA, where we will put together special memorials for placement at Arlington. National Cemetery. As the logistics have proven very cumbersome and the attendance nearly nil, Michigan will not place a wreath at the "Tomb of the Unknown"

Instead, we will be placing individual memorials at the intersection of sections 60 & 61, similar to what we did in 2014. This time permission has been given to place them all in one place in the shape for our state. Any Commandery interested in honoring one or more of the men and women from our state buried at Arlington can purchase a memento by contacting Butch. The cost this year will be \$8.00 each and they will be assemble during the stop in Breezewood. I am hoping to honor 125 men and women, (which is slightly more then we did in 2014.



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**Plan ahead, plan early. Set your date for 2020-2021 inspections. Every commandery should have looked ahead and selected a date by now. Take time to contact SK. Don Murphy the Grand Junior Warden and communicate your requests. We should all be able to "make a plan" and save the date for 2020-2021 inspections by 12-31-2019.**

