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Vincent E. Perry, Right Eminent Grand Commander



From the Office of your Right Eminent Grand Commander,

Sir Knight Vincent E. Perry:

Greetings to all Sir Knights and their family; I hope this supplement finds you well.

As the beginning of fall is upon us, with the crisp morning air, our trees to make their transformations to beautiful autumn colors, let each Sir Knight take pause and be thankful to our great creator for our lives.

Allow me to speak about a funeral that took place in Dunbar, W.Va., on Sept. 18. Our Grand Recorder was contacted concerning the Knights Templar funeral for his uncle, S.K. Jerry R. Morgan.

He happened to be a past grand commander of the state of Florida in 2006. After making a few calls and enlisting the help of P.G.C. Posten Drake, we got a group together to perform a Knights Templar

Funeral. The Sir Knights consisting of V.E.D.G.C. H. L. Hadley, P.D.C. – P.G.C. Vaughn Shaffer, P.G.C. Johnny Sluss, P.G.C. Paul Davis, E.G.J.W. Charlie Wimer, P.C. Jerry Harper, E.C. Bill Smith, E.G.C.G. Richard Roy, P.G.C Posten Drake, and R.E.G.C. Vincent E. Perry. All members were in Class A uniforms. After the service, all family members thanked us for showing up on such short notice, for the wonderful service, and for the honor we showed their uncle.

I would be remiss if I didn't speak of the passing of another great brother Mason and Past Grand Master of the Grand Lodge of Masons of West Virginia -- Paul J. Cottrell. I cannot begin to say enough about such a wonderful brother. We will all suffer because of his passing.

Even though our supreme father has called so many of our brothers home, those of us need to redouble our efforts and try our best to honor those passed. Also, look forward to whenever this unpleasantness finally passes, then we will be ready to do our work, in all bodies.

God bless each and every one.

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