



Louisiana Supplement

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In Memoriam



Larry Burton Ledbetter, Sr.
Oct. 12, 1931 – Dec. 30, 2020

Louisiana Grand Commander
2005 - 2006

Bethlehem Commandery No. 20 Christmas Observance



The 22nd day of December 2020 was a joyous day for Bethlehem Commandery #20 K. T. There were 20 members and guests for the annual Christmas observance and Officer Installation. There were 12 members present and 8 were in uniform. SK's J. Keith Gates, REPGC; Michael A. Watts, EGJW; John Cunningham, EGW; and Albert Simms, Jr., area 1 Division Commander represented the Grand Commandery. SK Billy Barnes, PEC, Ascension Commandery #6 also attended the event. All enjoyed the occasion and the fellowship.

GRAND COMMANDER'S MESSAGE

Greetings all Valiant Sir Knights of the Temple.
2020, what a year to remember. I look back on this past year with mixed emotions. I had much planned for this year, but with the

pandemic, travel restrictions and a total ban on Templar meetings for most of the year, sadly I was not able to accomplish much. I pray that my successors have a better year, and I truly hope they are shown the same courtesies they have shown me. I feel truly blessed to have so many good friends from every corner of this great state. I will miss the fellowship, but I do plan to remain as active as our Good Lord will allow. And please Sir Knights, in the future, if I can assist your commandery in any way, do not hesitate to ask.

To my Squire, Mr. Liam Klyde May, thanks little buddy, you are, and always will be, Louisiana's first "Squire to the Grand Commander", I have enjoy traveling with you and look forward to seeing you join our ranks someday. I do encourage all Commanders and Grand Commanders to consider appointing their own Squire and keep this tradition alive. As a Templar, I see no better way to build our fraternity than to get our youth involved, leading by example, thus building better Sir Knights for the future.

To the 2020 Officers, both Elected and Appointed, I now extend a very well-deserved "Thank You" for your service during this unprecedented year. I will simply remind you, as I stated in my last article, God tells us in Revelations Ch.21 Ver. 7, And God said, "He that overcometh shall inherit all things, and I will be his God, and he shall be my son". With Faith, Humility, and Perseverance, I know we will accomplish great things.

I say to each of you "Farewell Sir Knights", this does not mean Goodbye, but only farewell as your Grand Commander. As a Past Grand Commander, and acknowledging all due respect to my successor. If permitted, I hope to work from the periphery and try to accomplish at least some of the plans I had for 2020, I truly believe some of them could help to increase membership and participation, two things we as a fraternity desperately need.

And always remember Sir Knights,

"Not unto us, O Lord, not unto us, but unto Thy name give Glory"

Rory Bozeman, RE Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of the state of Louisiana

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"Every Christian Mason should be a Knight Templar"