



David Dixon Goodwin
57th Grand Master of the Grand Encampment
2012 to 2015

Sir Knight David Dixon Goodwin was installed as the Most Eminent Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar on August 15, 2012, at the 65th Triennial Conclave held in Alexandria, Virginia. He was also elected President of the Knights Templar Eye Foundation, Inc. Most Eminent Grand Master Goodwin is a Right Eminent Past Grand Commander of New York in 1999 and a Right Eminent Past Department Commander of the Northeastern Department during 2000-2003. He was elected Right Eminent Grand Captain General at the 62nd Triennial Conclave, August 2003 in St. Louis, Missouri and elected Right Eminent Grand Generalissimo at the 63rd Triennial Conclave in August of 2006 at Houston, Texas. He was advanced to Right Eminent Deputy Grand Master in August of 2007, upon the resignation of Sir Knight Richard Burditt Baldwin as Grand Master for health reasons. He was elected Right Eminent Deputy Grand Master at the 64th Triennial Con- clave in August of 2009 in Roanoke, Virginia. He will serve as Grand Master for the 66th Triennium of the Grand En- campment during 2012-2015.

David Dixon Goodwin was born on August 15, 1949, in Johnson City, New York, to the late Mary Isabel and John Walter Goodwin. He was raised in Binghamton, New York and confirmed in Trinity Memorial Episcopal Church. He attended the Binghamton public schools and graduated from Binghamton Central High School in 1967. He attended Broome Community College and gradu- ated from Union University, Albany, New York College of Pharmacy in 1972 with a B.S. in Pharmacy. Following his graduation he was employed by CVS Pharmacy in several locations. He was the owner of four retail pharmacies in the Binghamton area from 1977-1988. He was employed as a pharmacist at Arnot Ogden Medical Center in Elmira, New York, from 1988 until his retirement in 2010. His memberships have included local, state, and national pharmaceutical societies as well as health related community organizations and the Endicott Rotary Club. He is a commissioned Notary Public in the State of New York.

He married Marci Lynn Sternberg on July 15, 1979. They have two daughters, Jennifer and Samantha. They currently reside in Vestal, New York.

Right Worshipful Brother Goodwin was raised a Master Mason in Binghamton Lodge No. 177, F&AM, Binghamton, New York, in September of 1977. He served through the line and was elected Master in 1982. The following year he was elected Secretary, a position he held until 1999. He was named Mason of the Year by his Lodge in 1988. He has served as Secretary-Treasurer of the Broome-Chenango District Masters Council, District Masonic Brotherhood Fund Chair- man, and as a member of the Grand Lodge Committee on Related Organizations. He served as a director and

president of the Masonic Youth Foundation of New York. He was commissioned as the Grand Representative of the Grand Lodge of Austria near the Grand Lodge of New York in September of 2000.

Right Excellent Companion Goodwin was a member of Binghamton Chapter No. 139, Royal Arch Masons, having served as High Priest and as Secretary for several years. He is now a member of Western Broome Chapter No. 332. He served the Grand Chapter of New York as an Assistant Grand Lecturer, District Deputy Grand High Priest, and a Custodian of the Work. He was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal in Bronze by the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons International in 2011.

Right Illustrious Companion Goodwin was a member of Binghamton Council No. 24, Cryptic Masons, where he served as Illustrious Master and Treasurer. He is now a member of Ahwaga Council No. 30 following a merger. He is a member of St. George Council, Order of Anointed Kings of New York, where he served as the Thrice Illustrious Master. He was commissioned by the Grand Council of Delaware as their Grand Representative near the Grand Council of New York.

Sir Knight Goodwin was Knighted in Malta Commandery No. 21, Knights Templar, stationed at Binghamton, now in Endicott, New York, where he served as Commander in 1988 and Recorder for many years. He was Captain of the zone drill team for ten years. He holds plural memberships in The Empire State Commandery No. 83, New York; St. George Commandery No. 76, Ohio; St. Bernard Commandery No. 41, Colorado; Blaney Commandery No. 5, Illinois; and Anchorage Commandery No. 2, Alaska. He is a member of the Sovereign Order of Knights Preceptor, the Knight Crusaders of the Cross, and Past Commander associations in many jurisdictions. He holds honorary memberships in many Commanderies, Grand Commanderies, and Grand York Rite Bodies across the country.

He served the Grand Commandery of New York as a Zone Commander and Grand Representative of the Grand Commandery of Kentucky near New York and was elected Grand Warder in 1991. He served through the line and was elected and installed as the 57th Grand Commander at the 186th Annual Conclave at Suffern, New York, on September 18, 1999. Sir Knight James Morris Ward, Most Eminent Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar of the United States of America, awarded him the rank and dignity of Knight Commander of the Temple in 1998.

He was appointed Right Eminent Department Commander of the North-Eastern Department by Sir Knight William Jackson Jones, Most Eminent Grand Master at the 61st Triennial Conclave in Nashville, Tennessee in 2000.

Illustrious Brother Goodwin is a member and past officer of Otsenigo Bodies, Valley of Binghamton, New York, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, Northern Masonic Jurisdiction of the United States of America. He was coroneted a Sovereign Grand Inspector General, 33rd°, Honorary Member of the Supreme Council, in Boston, Massachusetts, in 2002. He is a dual member in the Valley of Toledo, Ohio.

He was awarded the Honorary Legion of Honor from DeMolay International and is a member and Past Dean of the Central New York Preceptory, Legion of Honor. He was elected a deputy member of the International Supreme Council in Seattle, Washington in 2006 and an active member in Louisville, Kentucky in 2012. He served DeMolay International as its Grand First Preceptor from 2008 to 2009.

He was a charter member of the Southern Tier York Rite College No. 126 where he served as Governor. He was awarded the Order of the Purple Cross in 1993 from the York Rite Sovereign College of North America.

He holds memberships in Christian Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine where he is Past Sovereign and honorary membership in Charlemagne Conclave in Ohio; Crusade Priory No. 57, Knights of the York Cross of Honor, where he holds Knight York Grand Cross of Honor with one quadrant; Gen. Henry Knox Council No. 139, Allied Masonic Degrees of which he is a Past Sovereign Master and a member of the Red Branch of Eri; Charles Smith Council No. 324, Allied Masonic Degrees; The Grand Council of Allied Masonic Degrees of the United States of America in which he is a line officer; Royal Order of Scotland; Star of Bethlehem Tabernacle No. V, Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests where he was created a Past Preceptor and an honorary membership in Good Shepherd Tabernacle No. XXX; the Grand College of America, where he is a line officer; Celtic

Council No. XXV, Knight Masons; Societas Rosicruciana in Civitatibus Foederatis, Long Island Col- lege where he holds the IX^o; The High Council Societas Rosicruciana in Civi- tatibus Foederatis in which he is Junior Deputy Supreme Magus, Knight Grand Cross; Grand College of Rites of the United States of America in which he was Grand Chancellor in 2009; Kalurah Shriners; Aahmes Grotto, Mystic Order of Veiled Prophets of the Enchanted Realm; Lafayette Chapter No. 340, Order of the Eastern Star; Pilgrim Chapel No. 11 and Novum Eboracum Chapel No. 51, St. Thomas of Acon; and Trinity Church Assemblage of the Operatives. He was a Masonic Supervisor of Endicott Triangle No. 43, Organization of Triangles, Inc., a Masonic youth organization for girls in New York for many years.

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