

Brother Vyrl W. Justice, 33°



Vyrl Wesley Justice, 33°, was born May 27, 1920, in Johnson County, Iowa, and attended Iowa City Schools. In 1939 he enlisted in the 113th Cavalry, and landed on Omaha Beach. He participated in the battles of Normandy, St. Lo, Mountain Domfront, Franconville, and Court Stienna as a member of a machine gun squad, and was wounded at Court Stienna. Vyrl and Martha Kempf were married on December 29, 1945, and embarked on nearly 62 years of life together.

Vyrl and Martha moved to Cedar Rapids in 1953, and in 1961 he established the company that bears his name, Justice Electric. An expert electrician, Vyrl was also an excellent businessman, who believed that treating his customers and employees fairly and honestly was the best way to maintain an active and growing firm. Justice Electric

continues that tradition today, as one of the leading electrical contracting firms in Linn County.

Brother Justice first knocked on the door of Freemasonry at Crescent Lodge No. 25 in Cedar Rapids on June 14, 1954, when he was Initiated as an Entered Apprentice. He was Passed to the Degree of a Fellowcraft on September 20, 1954, and Raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason on October 18, 1954.

He became a Master of the Royal Secret, 32°, in the Scottish Rite Valley of Cedar Rapids on November 10, 1955, as a member of the Merrill Coburn Memorial Class. He was invested with the rank and decoration of a Knight Commander of the Court of Honour on October 4, 1999, and coroneted an Inspector General Honorary, 33°, on December 3, 2005.

Brother Justice laid down the working tools of this life on October 8, 2007.

Brother Justice was a quiet, diffident, and even shy man, but one blessed with an abundance of patriotism, great love of family, and complete dedication to every cause to which he directed his considerable energies. His unshakable integrity was a model and example for all who knew him.

A long-time member of St. Paul's United Methodist Church in Cedar Rapids, he served on many boards and committees over the years. He was a founder of Cottage Grove Place in Cedar Rapids, served on the St. Luke's Hospital Foundation Board, and was Chairman of the Cedar Rapids United Way Campaign in 1978.

In addition to his fifty-year membership in Crescent Lodge and the Cedar Rapids Scottish Rite Bodies, Brother Justice was a member of Malta Chapter no. 415 of the Order of the Eastern Star, and of El Kahir Shrine.

Those of his Brethren who knew Brother Justice miss his quiet good counsel, his engaging and accurate wit, and his ready smile. He was an exemplar for other Masons, a Brother who went quietly about the cause of serving his fellow human beings with the goal of making his community better, rather than of receiving personal acclaim and honors. He is an excellent role model for the members of this Reunion Class.

Rest gently, dear Brother, until that time when we shall all sit together again in that Grand Lodge Above, eternal in the heavens.

The 239th Reunion of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite Of Freemasonry

Valley of Cedar Rapids
Orient of Iowa

May 15, 2010

The Vyrl W. Justice, 33°,
Memorial Class

PROGRAM



Cedar Rapids Scottish Rite Temple
616 A Avenue NE
Cedar Rapids, Iowa 52401

2010 SPRING REUNION SCHEDULE

Saturday, May 15, 2010

7:00 AM	Registration	
7:30	Opening of the Lodge of Perfection	
7:35	Auditorium	4°
8:30	Class Room	Communication of 5°-13° and 15°-17°
9:15	Auditorium	14°
10:15	Break	Library
10:30	Auditorium	18°
12:00	Lunch	Dining Room
1:00.PM	Class Room	Communication of 19°- 29°, 30°, and 31°
2:15	Auditorium	30°
3:00	Break	Library
3:30	Auditorium	32°
5:00	Class portrait	
5:30	Banquet	

The Classroom is open to all Brothers who would like to improve their understanding of the Degrees.

Candidates

DeArmond, Michael K.	Great Lights No 181	Decorah
Graham, Shannon	Black Hawk No 65	Cedar Falls
Jensen, Richard E.	Clermont No 160	Clermont
Pedersen, Michael T	Black Hawk No 65	Cedar Falls
Riley John P.	West Union No 69	West Union
Rustad, Jayme A.	Great Lights No 181	Decorah
Sommermeyer, Donald R.	Great Lights No 181	Decorah

Officers of the Coordinate Bodies

Consistory 31st-32nd

Master of Kadosh:
Tom Kurtz Jr 33°
Prior: Dave Benderson 32° KCCH
Prelate: Jason Wolcott 32° KCCH

Council of Kadosh 19th-30th

Commander:
Don Mosier 32° KCCH
1st Lt Commander: Dennis Mallory
32° KCCH
2nd Lt Commander: Tim Felton 32°

Chapter of Rose Croix 15th-18th

Wise Master:
John Waychoff 32°
Sr Warden: Mark Timpany 32°
Jr Warden: Bob Smith 32°

Lodge of Perfection 4th-14th

Venerable Master
Everett Rowland 32° KCCH
Sr Warden: Eric Sommermeyer 32°
Jr Warden: Maynard Smith 32°
KCCH

Officers of the Knights of St Andrew

Excellent Master: Brad Kurtz 32°
Sr Warden: Andrew Livin 32°
Jr Warden: James Kubalek 32°
Treasurer Bob King 32°
Treasurer Chad Little 32°

Fourth Degree

Eric J. Sommermeyer, 32°, Degree Master
Venerable Master Eric J. Sommermeyer, 32°
Senior Warden Joseph R. Kurka, 33°
Junior Warden Darol A. DeSotel, 32°
Senior Deacon Jon D. Sommermeyer, 32°
Junior Deacon Scott W. Miller, 32°
Orator Timothy J. Felton., 32°
Secretary John C. Rothlisberger, 32°
Monitor Steven L. Riley, 33°

Fourteenth Degree

Andrew Livin, 32°, Degree Master
Venerable Master Chad Little, 32°
Senior Warden Alexander Reavis, 32°
Junior Warden. Andrew Livin, 32°
Master of Ceremonies Holt Maness, 32°
Expert Robert G. Walker, 32° KCCH
Monitor Joseph Mulinix, 32°
Orator H. Burr Bryant, 32° KCCH

Eighteenth Degree

Thomas N. Kurtz, Jr., 33°, Degree Master
Wise Master Thomas N. Kurtz, Jr., 33°
Senior Warden Robert G. Walker, 32° KCCH
Junior Warden Karl J. Palmer, 32° KCCH
Master of Ceremonies John W. Brandt, 32° KCCH
Orator Brad D. Kurtz, 32°
Guardian of the Temple James W. Evans, 32°
KCCH

DIRECTORS OF THE WORK

Donald E. Mosier, 32° KCCH, Director
Thomas N, Kurtz, Jr., 33°, Assistant Director
REUNION DIRECTOR
William C. Jacobson, 33°

CLASS DIRECTOR

Brad D. Kurtz, 32°;
Everett F. Rowland, 32° KCCH

STAGE CREW

Richard C. Hunt, 32° KCCH, Chairman
Douglas R. Heath, 32° KCCH;
Andrew Livin, 32°;
Richard Peshek, 32°;
Kha Phan, 32°;
Casts of the Several Degrees

Knights of St. Andrew

ELECTRICIANS AND LIGHTING

Richard C. Hunt, 32° KCCH, Chairman
Douglas R, Heath, 32° KCCH;
Kha Phan, 32°;
Knights of St. Andrew

Thirtieth Degree

Steven Minkel, 32° KCCH, Degree Master
Monitor Steven Minkel, 32° KCCH
Preceptor Kenneth Anderson, 32°
First Sub-Preceptor Mark Timpany, 32°
Second Sub-Preceptor Dennis Gienau, 32°
Expert Claude Dickey, 32°
Spirit, Shannon Graham, 32°
Chaplain, William Ottesen, 32°
Supreme Judge Ryan Reid, 32°
Speaking Judge James Heimbeck, 32°
Frank Judge William Robinson, 32°

Thirty-Second Degree

Donald E. Mosier, 32° KCCH
Thomas N. Kurtz, Jr., 33°
John C. Wagor, 33°, Degree Masters

First Section

Master Of Kadosh John C, Wagor, 33°
Prior George Johnson, 33°
Preceptor Joseph R. Kurka, 33°
Prelate Carl E. A. Hallberg, 33°
Minister of State Donald E. Stamy, 33°
Master of Ceremonies William F. Bascom, 33°
Captain of the Guard. Alvin L. Riley, 33°
Narrator Steven L. Riley, 33°

**The Tents will be represented by Knights
Commander of the Court of Honor,
and the Standards by Inspectors General
Honorary of the Valley of Cedar Rapids**

Second Section

Master of Kadosh Thomas N. Kurtz, Jr., 33°
Orator Donald E. Mosier, 32° KCCH

ROBING ROOM CREW

Steven G. Libbey, 32° KCCH;
Andrew Livin, 32°;
Robert G. Walker, 32° KCCH;
Knights of St. Andrew

TYLERS

Donald E. Harris, 32° KCCH, Chairman
Timothy J. Felton, 32°,
David P. Kroeger, 32°,

DINING ROOM and REFRESHMENTS

Knights of St. Andrew

COMMUNICATION OF DEGREES

William C. Jacobson, 33°

OFFICE STAFF

James Burr, 32° KCCH, Registrar
Jackie Tyne, Office Secretary

ALMONERS FUND

Donald E. Harris, 32° KCCH, Almoner
David P. Kroeger, 32° Assistant Almoner

SOUND SYSTEM and MUSIC

John M. Klaus, 33°,
John C. Wagor, 33°