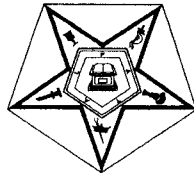


**GRAND CHAPTER
ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR OF
NOVA SCOTIA AND PRINCE EDWARD ISLAND**



IN MEMORIAM

**FREDERICK W. CLARKE
WORTHY GRAND PATRON, 1987-1988
MOST WORTHY GRAND PATRON, 2009-2010
GENERAL GRAND CHAPTER**

*“In the garden of remembrance
There’s a little sheltered spot
Fragrant with the bloom and beauty
Of the sweet forget-me-not.*

*And no flower in life’s garden,
Fairer, brighter grew
Than the little flower that whispered,
Always we will remember you.”*

This verse is taken from the “Mountains of Friendship” Memorial Service, July 1988.

It is with extreme sorrow that we announce the passing of our beloved Brother Fred Clarke on December 28, 2010 in Kentville, Nova Scotia.

Brother Fred began his Eastern Star journey when he was initiated into Mayflower Chapter, No. 2, Aylesford, Nova Scotia on March 14, 1961, where he served twice as Worthy Patron. In 1962-1963, when Laurel Chapter No. 67, Berwick, Nova Scotia was instituted and constituted, Brother Fred and Sister Margaret performed the degree work as Worthy Patron and Worthy Matron. At that time he affiliated with Laurel Chapter as a Charter Member and served the chapter as Worthy Patron six times.

Brother Fred was appointed Grand Representative of Alabama, 1984-1985. He was elected Grand Sentinel in 1986 and in 1987 was elected Worthy Grand Patron and presided with Sister Barbara B. Bowser, Worthy Grand Matron, over the “Mountains of Friendship” Grand Chapter Session held in Dartmouth, Nova Scotia in July 1988.

Brother Fred began his journey in the General Grand Chapter when he was appointed a Committee Member on Fraternal Relations, 1991-1994. In 1994 he was elected as Right Worthy Grand Trustee and served nine years; the last three years as Chairman. In 2003 he was elected Right Worthy Grand Sentinel for a three year term. In 2006 he was elected Right Worthy Associate Grand Patron and elected Most Worthy Grand Patron in November, 2009 to serve with Sister Rennie Oton, Past Grand Matron of Texas and Most Worthy Grand Matron. The triennium "The Nature of God's Love Around the World" will be held in Fort Worth, Texas in November 2012.

Brother Fred was a Life Member of Laurel Chapter, No. 67 and held Honourary Memberships in many Chapters and Grand Chapters throughout the world.

Brother Fred was also very active in the Masonic Fraternity. He served as Grand Master of Nova Scotia in 1990-1991 and Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons in 2002-2003 and recently received the Order of the Purple Cross.

Brother Fred and Sister Margaret travelled near and far over the years attending Eastern Star and Masonic meetings and functions and Brother Fred will be sorely missed by his many friends around the world.

The sincere sympathy of this Grand Chapter is extended to his devoted wife of 55 years, Sister Margaret, Past Grand Matron and Worthy Grand Esther, his four sons, daughters-in-law and eleven grandchildren and to the members of his chapter, Laurel Chapter, No. 67.

That the members of this Grand Jurisdiction may share in this tribute, let this memorial be read in each subordinate Chapter and the Altar be draped in his memory.

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