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Greetings Sir Knights

As of these writings it is with great appreciation that I address you with my utmost Thanks to all of you for the privilege of serving you in this high position in York Rite Masonry. As your Right Eminent Grand Commander it has been a great accomplishment in my life. Just a little background of my Life in Masonry, First I want to the Lord Jesus Christ and what he has given me in my life. The year of 2006, I had the honor of serving Masonry as Grand Master of Arkansas, for the year of 2022, I celebrated (50) years in Blue Lodge Masonry, and this year 2023 I will have (50) years in Scottish Rite Masonry. Throughout those years You Have allowed me to serve you as the Most Excellent Grand High Priest of the Grand Chapter of Arkansas, The Most Illustrious Grand Master of the Council of the Grand Council of Arkansas, and Now the Right Eminent Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Arkansas all of the honors would not have been afforded to me if it had not been for you Masons, Companions and Sir Knights. As we continue this journey together there is still a lot of work to be done. We need to be contacting the blue lodge Mason and asking him to join York Rite Masonry, we need to be contacting the suspended York Rite Mason and ask why he was suspended. There is still time for this to happen according to Edict #1 at the start of this year.

It was once told to me by an elder Mason that he was old and tired and he just **don't come to the meetings anymore. My answer to him was, as long as I can, I will continue to attend the meetings because you don't lay down your working tools in Masonry and in Life until they lay you down for you final resting place in**

the cemetery, He laughed and said you know you are exactly right, just a casual thought from me as an answer to the Companion statement when he answered me.

I can not finish this article without Thanking my wonderful wife Louise, she has helped me in so many ways, from helping in the hospitality room, taking care of the silent auctions to whatever, she is called on to do and to help throughout the years while I journey thru our York Rite Grand Session, and for all of the nights that I traveled to make the visits to just about everything that I have done. To her I say THANK YOU and I Love you. And I also want to say a Great Big THANK YOU to **ALL of the other ladies who joined her in all York Rite Grand Sessions Y'all are Great.**

Sir Knights Attention:

Sir Knights and Companions we Have a very important event coming up that ALL York Rite Mason need to attend, and that is our Grand Session March 9th, 10th, & 11 to be held in Little Rock @ the Delta Hotel. If you are a York Rite Mason and reading this article this would apply to you. If you want to know what is going on at the Grand Session, I am asking you to attend this session and take home to all of your Chapter, Council and Commandry all the information that is discussed at this session.

As I close this article, I hope to see you at Grand Session and tell all of you how much I appreciate all of you and to thank all who have gone on this Journey with me and I can assure you there are many of you I have to say thank You to. To many of you to Name but you know who you are.

May God Bless you

May God Bless York Rite Masonry in Arkansas

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