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# ANNUAL FISH FRY



#### It's time for the Annual Scottish Rite Fish Fry! Mark your calendars...Sunday, August 9, 2020 2 pm to ?

The Valley Fish Fry and Summer Blast is scheduled for August 9, 2020 at Aladdin Land in Wintersville. If you haven't been there, it's a very nice facility with a large covered pavilion, indoor restrooms, a full kitchen and plenty of parking. We plan to have Coleman's fried fish, hamburgers, hot dogs, and plenty of "summer sides". There will be adult beverages, soda and plenty of kid's drinks, plus desserts! Following the success of last year, this year, we will again be pulling out all the stops... We will have music, Masonic Bingo, cornhole games, and entertainment for the kids! The price for members is just \$10 and ALL prospective members are FREE. We are really hoping to showcase what a great bunch we are.

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# Special Points of Interest:

- Annual Fish Fry
- Deputy Representative's Message
- Congratulations to our new officers

Date

"The Grand Architect of the Universe has received the following into His presence".

# IN MEMORIAM



Our deepest sympathy is extended to the families and friends of these our departed Brethren. May our Heavenly Father have them In his Holy Keeping.

Thomas H. Saffell	298	1/ 7/2020	
Thomas W. Davis	45	8/18/2019	
Harvey Strausbaugh	298	1/15/2020	
William E. Stanley 33°	65	2/18/2020	
Charles T. Vogelsong	583	4/11/2014	
George O. Morris	691	7/21/2007	
Howard W. Bretell 33°	45	3/10/2020	
O. Wayne Fulmer 33° MSA VSA	45	4/ 8/2020	
Harvey R. Taylor	181	2/ 2/2019	
Donald R. Quinn	45	5/21/2020	
Charles A. Williams	65	1/14/2019	



Illustrious Howard W. Brettell, Jr., 33°

## IN MEMORIAM

Born: June 28, 1934 Died: March 10, 2020

It is with deep and profound sadness that The Valley of Steubenville notes the passing of Illustrious Brother Howard W. Brettell, Jr., 33°, laid down his working tools on March 10th, 2020. "Doc" Brettell was a revered member of the Valley. He was a Past Deputy's Representative, serving from 1996-1998. He joined the Scottish Rite Valley of Steubenville on November 1st, 1966. In 1990, he served as Thrice Potent Master. He was the Director of Work for many years. On August 29, 1986, Ill. Brother Brettell was created a Sovereign Grand Inspector General, 33°, Honorary Member of the Supreme Council, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, Northern Masonic Jurisdiction. He received his 33° in Pittsburgh, PA. In 1997, the Valley of Steubenville honored Ill. Brother Brettell by naming the Spring Reunion after him. Ill. Brother Brettell was a member and Past Master of Steubenville Lodge #45. He was also a York Rite Mason, as well as a member of the Steubenville Shrine Club. He was an unquestionably committed husband and a selflessly dedicated father. He leaves behind his loving and forgiving wife of 54 years, Lelani "Penny" (Spon) Brettell, whom he married on September 18, 1965, and two daughters, Gaither (Donald) DeLuca of Sanibel FL, and Megan (Rick) Baker (formerly Pagley) of Decatur GA. Gaither and Megan ("Peanut" and "Pee-Wee") will forever be grateful for the blessing of having Howard as their Dad. He is also survived by three beloved grandchildren, Olivia Leigh DeLuca, Andrew Howard Deluca, and Samantha Brettell Pagley, his three siblings, John Brettell, JoAnne Dunham of The Villages FL, and Susan Haddad of Wheeling WV, as well as many in-laws, nieces and nephews, all whom he adored. Howard will be deeply missed by his entire family and many friends who are left with a lifetime of cherished memories. Rest well, Illustrious Brother. Your earthly labors are finished.



Illustrious William E. Stanley, 33°

## <u>IN MEMORIAM</u>

Born: January 4, 1930 in Alliance, Ohio Died: February 18, 2020 in Lisbon, Ohio

It is with deep and profound sadness that The Valley of Steubenville notes the passing of Illustrious William E. Stanley, 33° has laid down his working tools and passed to the Eternal Temple. Illustrious Brother Stanley was a revered member of the Valley of Steubenville. He was a Past Sovereign Prince (1991), Past Commander in Chief (2003) and was coroneted a 33rd Degree Mason in Philadelphia, PA in 2010. He was born January 4, 1930 in Alliance, Ohio, a son of the late Lyman John Stanley and the late Mable Irene May (Varner) Potts. A 1948 graduate of Lisbon David Anderson High School. Bill retired as a rural mail carrier for the U.S. Post office after 35 years of faithful service. He was a member of the Lisbon First Christian Church; Lisbon Eagles Aerie 2216, where he was a Golden Eagle; Lisbon American Legion Post 275; New Lisbon Lodge 65 F&AM; Chapter; Council and Commandary. Bill also proudly served our country as a member of the U.S. Navy. He is survived by his loving wife of 45 years, Geraldine (Lipp) Stanley, whom he married August 30, 1974; daughters, Colleen (Bob) Turner and Sharon Waite; son, Allen (Laurie) Stanley; stepdaughters, Nancy (Don) Jugenhiemer, Cheryl (Phil) Silliman, Mary Lou (Doyle) Pahona, Joyce Birch and Patty Soules; stepsons, Dick (Terrie) Spooner, Larry (Myra) Spooner, Jeff (Sharon) Spooner, Roger (Suzanne) Spooner, Jim Spooner and Bruce Spooner; half-sister, Sally Byred; 36 grandchildren; 54 greatgrandchildren and many great-great-grandchildren. In addition to his parents, Bill was also preceded in death by his son, William W. Stanley; sons-in-law, James "J.O." Birch and Allan Waite and grandson, Jessie Birch. Rest well, devoted Brother. Rest well, Illustrious Brother. Your earthly labors are finished.



Illustrious O. Wayne Fulmer, II, 33° MSA VSA

# IN MEMORIAM

Born: September 5, 1944 in Columbus, Ohio Died: April 8, 2020 in Steubenville, Ohio

It is with deep and profound sadness that The Valley of Steubenville notes the passing of Illustrious Brother O. Wayne Fulmer, 33° MSA VSA into the eternal Temple. Brother Fulmer was a friend and brother to all and he will be deeply missed. A long time member of the Valley, he was early on involved in nearly every degree performed. He later took on the role of signing in and stamping passports at Reunions before his hiring as our Executive Secretary. As Executive Secretary, he was untiring to his duties and dedicated in his love for the Rite. He was born in Columbus, Ohio on September 5, 1944 a son of the late Otto Wayne and Violet Earlene Fulmer, Sr. Fulmer. He is preceded in death by a sister, Barbara Ann Fulmer. Wayne is survived by his wife of 53 years, Judy; his four children Stephanie (Pete) Carpico, Otto (Betty) Fulmer III, David (Amber) Fulmer and Jennifer (Donnie) Burks; ten grandchildren Elisabeth, Ian, Anthony, Kendal, Bella, Lily, Chloe, Maya, Dwayne, and Devon and sister, Dolores (Jack) Dorminey. Wayne was a 1963 graduate of Linden McKinley in Columbus, Ohio. He enlisted in the Ohio Army National Guard and was honorably discharged in 1971 after faithfully serving for 6-years. He worked for F & R Lazarus in Columbus, Ohio. In 1972 he relocated his family to Steubenville and began a career as a manager at "The Hub". He then worked as a salesman for T&L Wheeling before founding Delphia Supply, Inc which he operated with his wife. Wayne also owned and operated the Fulmer Insurance Agency selling insurance for the Mutual of Omaha. While semi-retired he and his wife owned and operated Lolli/Pops Confections traveling the Mid-West distributing Iollipops to Wal-Marts. Wayne was a member of Steubenville Masonic Lodge #45 where he served as Worshipful Master in 1996. He was also a member of the Aladdin Shrine A.A.O.N.M.S and the Steubenville Shrine Club. He was a very active member of the Valley of Steubenville Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite. He received the Valley Service Award (VSA) in 2015 and the Meritorious Service Aware (MSA) in 2018 and was slated to officially receive the 33° in Cleveland in August of 2021. He was actively involved in the Boy Scouts of America where he served the Ft. Steuben Council in many capacities for many years. In 1987 he received the Silver Beaver Award. Rest well, Illustrious Brother. Your earthly labors are finished.

#### Congratulations to our current officers on their recent election!



#### Jefferson Consistory, S.P.R.S.

Ron Shaw, 32°, VSA Commander In Chief Charles W. Brooks, 32°, MSA, VSA 1st Lt. Commander James K. Cassella, 32°, MSA, VSA 2nd Lt. Commander Mike DiLeonardo, 32°, VSA Orator

#### Carson Lodge of Perfection

Timothy L. Walters, 32°, VSA Thrice Potent Master Ronald M. Callahan, 32°, Deputy Master George R. Monroe, II, 32° Senior Warden III. Roger E. Givens, Jr., 33°, MSA, VSA Junior Warden Tom Cook, 32° Orator

#### **Drummond Chapter of Rose Croix**

III. Gregory R. Metcalf, 33°, VSA Most Wise Master John T. Morgan, 32°, VSA Senior Warden Joseph P. Blazer, 32° Junior Warden III. Brian J. Breyer, 33°, MSA, VSA Orator
III. Carol E. Monday, Jr., 33°, VSA Master of Ceremonies Douglas M. Cunningham, 32° Captain of the Guard

#### **Cutler Council Princes of Jerusalem**

III. D. Scott Boyd, 33°, MSA Sovereign Prince Kendall L. Chadwick, 32° High Priest Joe Culp, 32° Senior Warden Mark Birmingham, 32° Junior Warden Richard A. Purks, 32° Master of Ceremonies

#### Deputy Representative's Message

Brethren,

It has been said that in times of crisis, a man's true character comes forward. These dark days are a test of character. Our beloved Valley is facing a time of crisis. The scourge of a deadly virus is sweeping the world and we are in the midst of a pandemic. For our own safety, we are not permitted to meet as we once did as Masons. My first prayer is none of my brothers are touched by this deadly disease.

In the middle of this, our Valley has been wounded by the death of our Executive Secretary, Wayne Fulmer...soon to be proclaimed a 33° Mason. We all share in the pain of his loss. He was a dear friend, a tireless worker for the Rite, and a sincere man of faith. I shall miss him every day.

Some of us are sheltering, staying away from the virus. Some of us must be out in it, working. Some of us are saving lives while risking their own. For those special brothers, for the men who are working, for the emergency services workers...I salute you and I thank you. You are true heros.

We must soldier on. It is our duty, it is our pledge and it is what we do as Sublime Princes of the Royal Secret. My remarks are a challenge, a call for you to remember your vows.

This Valley of Steubenville CAN and WILL survive the crisis before us. The Rite is calling to each of you to step forward and bring your talents and strengths to the front. To make this happen, we need all of us to do a part. We need to all step up and take part. Join the degree teams for the fall Reunion and for the 6 Valley day. Volunteer to help with setting up, with stage work, with something we can do. By all means...if we can have the Summer Fish Fry...come and make it the biggest event in our history. If we can have this Reunion, be there! Watch those degrees on line. Call your brothers and see how they are, especially our elderly brethren. Be a good Mason.

It's rough, I know. These days are ones we will always remember. Let's do something memorable. When men in the Rite look back at us 20 years from now, let them say that WE WERE STRONG, WE KEPT THE RITE GOING. I pledge to you that as long as there is a breath in my body, I will do what I can to help the Rite.

May God bless you, and keep you safe, my Brothers. And may God bless the Rite. And God Bless America.

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#### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

#### <u>JULY</u>

July 4—Independence Day - Office Closed July 5—Office Closed

#### <u>AUGUST</u>

August 9—Fish Fry & Summer Blast 2 PM Aladdin Land, Wintersville

#### **SEPTEMBER**

September 2—Labor Day - Office Closed September 12—Ohio Council of

Deliberation

11 AM—4 PM

in Akron hosted by Canton

September 24—Executive Committee & Stated Meeting 6:30 PM Dinner at 6:00 PM



#### MOMENT OF SILENCE

I am dedicating this space to our late Secretary III. O. Wayne Fulmer 33° MSA VSA. Wayne included a message in every edition of the newsletter that was published from the time he began his duties as our Executive Secretary. Each of those messages ended with a thoughtful or insightful saying. As a tribute to Wayne just to the right where his message would normally appear I left a blank space and ask that when you see this you pause for a moment of silence in his memory and remember that he shared those thoughts to make us all better men.

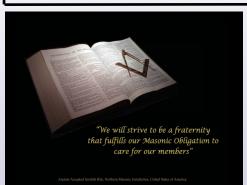
#### GREETINGS FROM YOUR Valley Secretary



Fraternally,

III. O. Wayne Fulmer 33°, MSA, VSA

Executive Secretary



#### Vision Statement for NMJ

"We will strive to be a fraternity that fulfills our Masonic obligations to care for our members."

> III. David A. Glattly, 33°, Sovereign Grand Commander

#### Mission Statement for NMJ

Provide inspiration for our members' meaningful programs and degrees.

Provide convenient opportunities for our members to enhance their lives.

Provide enjoyable programs and fellowship for our members.