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Philadelphia Lodge of Perfection, 14° Fall Special Communicaton, Friday, September 16, 2011



Our 2011 Fall Class Honoree

ILL.: THOMAS K. STURGEON, 33° RIGHT WORSHIPFUL GRAND MASTER OF MASONS IN PENNSYLVANIA

Thomas K. Sturgeon is the son of the late Wallace L. Sturgeon, Sr. and Cora Mae Wilson. Bro. Wallace Sturgeon was a member of Oakdale Lodge No. 669.

Our Grand Master and his wife, Joan reside in Imperial, Pennsylvania. They have six children, three sons and three daughters and eight grandchildren. They are members of Crossroads United Methodist Church.

He is a 1961 graduate of West Allegheny High School and worked for Duquesne Light Company before pursuing a career in law enforcement. He was employed by the North Fayette Police Department from 1968 to 1994, rising through the ranks to become Chief of Police/Public Safety Director. He returned to school and graduated from the FBI National Academy's 123rd session at Quantico, Virginia in 1980. He earned his Associate's Degree in Administration of Justice from the Community College of Allegheny County, a Bachelor's Degree in Criminal Justice from Elizabethtown College and a Master of Science Degree in Police Management from Youngstown State University. In 1994, he was employed by the Allegheny County Police Department, becoming Superintendent. He served as President of the Pennsylvania Chiefs of Police in 1997 and 1999, and was inducted into the Pennsylvania Police Hall of Fame. He was awarded the first annual Award of Excellence for the 8 Southwest Counties for the Office of the Attorney General's Bureau of Narcotics Investigation and Drug Control. From 2005 until his retirement in 2009, he held the position of Deputy Director of the Bureau of Investigations and Enforcement and Director of the



Bureau of Casino Compliance for the Pennsylvania Gaming Control Board.

The Grand Master enjoys playing golf and reading books on American history.

Our Illustrious Brother is a Past Master (1969) of Oakdale Lodge No. 669. He served the Grand Lodge of Pennsylvania as District Deputy Grand Master of the 47th Masonic District from 1983-1992 and the Committee of Finance 1998-99. He entered the Grand line in 2004.

A member of the Valley of Pittsburgh, he served Pennsylvania Consistory, 32°, as Commander-in-Chief in 1988-89. He was coroneted a Sovereign Grand Inspector General, 33°, Honorary Member of the Supreme Council in 1988 and was created an Active Member of the Supreme Council in 1999.

His other Masonic memberships include: Zerubbabel-Duquesne Royal Arch Chapter No. 162, Washington Council No. 1, Royal and Select Master Masons, Duquesne Commandery No. 72, Knights Templar, Red Cross of Constantine, Law Enforcement Pin Club, Pennsylvania Shield and Square Club, Masonic Veterans of Western Pennsylvania, Wa-Cha-Gree Forest No. 149 Tall Cedars of Lebanon, Gold Triangle York Rite College, Sewickley High Twelve Club

No. 759 of which he is a Charter Member, Syria Shrine. Provost Guard, Shrine Club South, West Hills Caravan, and Royal Order of Jesters Court No. 2 of which he was Director in 2001-02.

He is a recipient of the York Rite Purple Cross and the DeMolay Legion of Honor.

The Valley of Philadelphia is proud to name our 2011 Fall Class in his honor.