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Biography of Our New District Deputy Grand Master Hamilton District 'C' R.W.Bro. John W. Hlohinec:

John was born in Hamilton in 1955, was raised in Stoney Creek. He graduated from Orchard Park Secondary School and Mohawk College. He was a Heating / Air Conditioning Technician for over 40 years, retiring in 2015.



A devoted family man, John and his wife Linda have been married for over 41 years and have two daughters and five grandchildren. Michelle and Tom have two daughters, Emily and Megan, and Lisa and Mike have three children, Mason, Brianna, and Jacob.

John's Masonic Career began in 1987. He was Installed as W.M. of Hamilton Lodge No. 562 in 1994-1995 and served a second term in 1995-1996. He became W.M. of Meridian Lodge No. 687 in 2005-2006.

John's other interests include spending quality time with his family at the cottage, snowmobiling, boating, his classic car, and for 38 years and counting, putting on a special red suit at Christmas and bringing gifts and Christmas wishes to all.

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Please note: The opinions and views expressed in any article in the District 'C' hronicle are those of the writers and therefore do not necessarily reflect the opinion of Grand Lodge. The editor reserves the right to edit submissions

Greetings from our District Deputy Grand Master

I would like to thank R.W. Bro. Craig L. Knapman and V.W. Bro Lance Mullett for their tremendous help in this transition.

As the new District Deputy Grand Master of Hamilton District "C" I am looking forward to working with our new Grand Master M. W. Bro. Paul E. Todd and our Deputy Grand Master R. W. Bro. David J. Cameron.

I would like to congratulate V. W. Bro. Lance Mullett on his appointment as Grand Pursuivant. I would also like to extend my thanks to W. Bro. Roy Metcalfe for acting as my District Secretary and to the members of this years District Team.

I am pleased to announce that we in Hamilton District "C" will also be supporting the Grand Masters Charity, which this year is Autism Spectrum Disorder Research Project Number No. 2300.

I would like to express my thanks to the Brethren of Meridian Lodge No. 687 for nominating me and my gratitude to all the Brethren of Hamilton District "C" for putting their trust in me as D.D.G.M.

We are a dynamic, enthusiastic organization. Let's keep the ball rolling.

Our first District Meeting will be held on Saturday September 23, 2017 at 9:00 a.m. at the Hillcrest Temple. I hope you can attend, and I look forward to greeting you there.

I hope all is well with you and your family, and that you are getting to enjoy some nice summer weather between the rain drops.

Fraternally

R.W.Bro John W. Hlohinec

162nd Communication of Grand Lodge 2017

GRAND LODGE OFFICERS 2017-2018

Grand Master	M.W. Bro. Paul E. Todd
Past Grand Master	M.W. Bro. Ronald E. Groshaw
Past Grand Master	M.W. Bro. William R. Pellow
Past Grand Master	M.W. Bro. C. Edwin Drew
Past Grand Master and Grand Secretary	M.W. Bro. Terence Shand
Past Grand Master	M.W. Bro. Donald H. Mumby
Past Grand Master	M.W. Bro. Gary L. Atkinson
Past Grand Master	M.W. Bro. Allan J. Petrisor
Past Grand Master and Custodian of the Work	M.W. Bro. D. Garry Dowling
Past Grand Master	M.W. Bro. Donald A. Campbell
Past Grand Master	M.W. Bro. John C. Green
Deputy Grand Master	R.W. Bro. David J. Cameron
Grand Senior Warden	R.W. Bro. Nicholas Pawluch
Grand Junior Warden	R.W. Bro. Elito Lim
Grand Treasurer	R.W. Bro. Thomas W. Hogeboom
Grand Registrar	R.W. Bro. Dennis Saikaley
Grand Chaplain	R.W. Bro. Blair Patterson

APPOINTMENTS 2017

Grand Director of Ceremonies	R.W. Bro. Edward Charles Denbeigh, Kanata
Grand Senior Deacon	V.W. Bro. David Allan Bennett, Huntsville
Grand Junior Deacon	V.W. Bro. Michael Morris, Ajax
Grand Supt. of the Works	V.W. Bro. Philip Pilon, Carleton Place
Assistant Grand Secretary	V.W. Bro. Gerald Stuart, Ajax
Assistant Grand Dir. of Ceremonies	V.W. Bro. Daniel Lee Richter, Arkona
Assistant Grand Chaplain	V.W. Bro. Alan Grand Gregory, St. Marys
Assistant Grand Chaplain	V.W. Bro. John MacDonald, Claremont
Assistant Grand Chaplain	V.W. Bro. Vernon Marario Regis, Etobicoke
Assistant Grand Chaplain	V.W. Bro. Brian Ross Siegfried, Thunder Bay
Grand Sword Bearer	V.W. Bro. Kevin Zeigler, Almonte
Grand Organist	R.W. Bro. George Clauson, Ottawa

Grand Pursuivant

V.W. Bro. Lance Richard Mullett, Dundas

DISTRICT DEPUTY GRAND MASTERS 2017-2018

Hamilton A	R.W. Bro. Eric Marshall
Hamilton B	R.W. Bro. Glenn T. Jarvie
Hamilton C	R.W. Bro. John W. Hlohinec

BOARD OF GENERAL PURPOSES

ELECTED - 2016-2018

R.W. Bro.
Leslie F. Armstrong
R.W. Bro.
Thomas A. Siemierniks
R.W. Bro. John L. Hay
R.W. Bro. Barry F. Burchill

R.W. Bro.
Terrance Van Horne

ELECTED - 2017-2019

R.W. Bro.
Jamie R. Ireland
R.W. Bro.
Charles A. Woods
R.W. Bro. Iain N. Wates
R.W. Bro.
W. David Armstrong
R.W. Bro.
Arthur M. Di Cecco

APPOINTED 2016-2018

R.W. Bro. Richard Kaufman
R.W. Bro. Brian Koivu
V.W. Bro. Michael J. Locke
R.W. Bro. Robert F. Manz
R.W. Bro. Leyland Muss

APPOINTED 2017-2019

R.W. Bro. Howard Adams
R.W. Bro. Perry McConnell
R.W. Bro. Jim Sercombe
R.W. Bro. Paul Skazin
R.W. Bro. George Warner
R.W. Bro. John Forster (2017)

HONORARY

R.W. Bro. Frederick Halpern
R.W. Bro. David E. Jacklin
R.W. Bro. Michael J. Locke
R.W. Bro. H. Edward Standish
R.W. Bro. James C. Sutherland



An informal pic of
our new G.M. from
the Scottish Rite site

M.W. Bro.
Paul E. Todd

Hamilton District "C" Leadership Team 2017 / 2018

District Deputy Grand Master

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District Secretary

W. Bro. Roy Metcalfe
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District Officers

District Treasurer: V.W. Bro. H. Ray Wilson
District Auditors: R.W. Bro. Tom R. Marshall
 V.W. Bro. Robert Doherty
District Chaplain: Bro. David Watkinson
District Historian: W. Bro. Lorne Evans
District Advisors: R.W. Bro. Roger Parliament
 R.W. Bro. Devin Tuinstra
 R.W. Bro. Craig L. Knapman

District Chairmen

Masonic Education: V.W. Bro. Robin Colville
Lodge Resources: W. Bro. Jason McCulloch
Masonic Foundation: W. Bro. Kenneth E. Brisbois
 W. Bro. James Boles
Benevolence & District Events: W. Bro. Bob Hlohinec
 W. Bro. Gary Chiarot
Finance: W. Bro. Stan Satchell
Blood Donors: W. Bro. John MacKay
 V.W. Bro. George Post
Piper: V.W. Bro. John Terence
Regalia: R.W. Bro. D. Wayne Robinson
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 V.W. Bro. Reg Joyce
Photographer Emeritus: V.W. Bro. John Lyness
MasoniCh.I.P. Foundation: Bro. Raheem Aman
Long Range Planning: R.W. Bro. Craig L. Knapman
Communications / District Website: W. Bro. Robb Ellison
 W. Bro. Brian Thomas
Chronicle Editor: R. W. Bro. Glen J. Notman
Chronicle Associate Editor: R.W. Bro. William J. MacPherson

Hamilton District "C" Key Events for 2017 / 2018

Hamilton Masonic District 'C' Fall Meeting

Saturday, September 23rd, 2017, 9:00 am
Hillcrest Masonic Temple

Hamilton Masonic District 'C' Official Visits

Date	Lodge	Location
Wed Oct 4/17	Ionic No. 549	MCH
Tue Oct 17/17	Hugh Murray No. 602	MCH
Tue Nov 14 /17	Temple No. 324	MCH
Wed Nov 15/17	The Electric No. 495	Hillcrest
Thu Dec 7/17	Buchanan No. 550	Hillcrest
Thu Jan 25/18	Corinthian No. 513	MCH
Mon Feb 12/18	Valley No. 100	Dundas
Wed Feb 14/18	Meridian No. 687	Ancaster
Mon Feb 26/17	Wardrope No. 555	MCH
Tue Mar 27/18	Landmarks / Doric No. 654	MCH
Tue Apr 10/18	Seymour No. 272	Ancaster
Thu Apr 19/18	Dufferin No. 291	Flamborough
Tue Apr 24/18	Westmount No. 671	Hillcrest



Plan on coming out to support our D.D.G.M.
and visit around the District!

162nd Grand Lodge Pictures from Ontario Freemasons Facebook Group



Head Table at the Grand Masters Banquet



M.W. Bro. John C. Green Leading the Entry Procession



Participants at the Grand Masters Banquet



R.W. Bro. David James Cameron has just been installed as our Deputy Grand Master of the Grand Lodge A.F. & A.M. Of Canada in the Province of Ontario and is now seated next to the Grand Master M.W. Bro. Paul E. Todd in the East



Dates to Remember

21st ANNUAL MASONIC BEEF & CORN ROAST
WEDNESDAY AUGUST 23rd, 2017



IN SUPPORT OF

ST. PETER'S HOSPITAL FOUNDATION

To support Alzheimer's and Dementia Research and Programs
and

LEARNING CENTRE FOR HAMILTON

ANCASTER AGRICULTURE SOCIETY FAIRGROUNDS (Marritt Hall)

630 TRINITY Rd. (CORNER OF NO. 2 HWY & TRINITY Rd.)

OPEN: 4:30 p.m. CORN: 4:30 p.m. DINNER: 6:00 p.m.

ADULT TICKET - \$20.00 (13 Years and Over)
CHILDREN'S TICKET - \$10.00 (12 Years & Under)
CHILDREN 5 and UNDER - (NO CHARGE)

EVERYONE WELCOME, COME AND JOIN US FOR A GREAT ROAST BEEF DINNER,
FRESH CORN ON THE COB AND AMAZING DOOR PRIZES

RAFFLES -- CASH BAR

FOR TICKETS Email: masonic.beef.corn@gmail.com or your Lodge Secretary



COME HELP US CELEBRATE

"Moving on, is a simple thing, what it leaves behind is hard."

Sept 22, 2017, The Lodge of Strict Observance No. 27, after meeting for 31 fantastic years at the Stoney Creek Hall, we are moving into the Central Masonic Temple in Hamilton.

This is indeed a historic event for Strict and nothing would make this momentous occasion more meaningful than to have brethren from both CMT and Stoney Creek celebrate with us.

It would be very much appreciated if you could confirm your attendance with our Secretary, VWorBro G. Wyatt Lowry, at "wyatt.lowry@rogers.com"

Canada 150



GTA Masons 300th Anniversary
1st Grand Lodge

"Grand Ball"



Masons, Friends & Family
Saturday November 25, 2017

Le Parc Dining & Banquet Hall – dinner, dancing to 2 live bands
& festivities, silent auction, souvenirs, event program

At 5:30pm

8432 Leslie Street (at HW 7) Markham, Ontario L3T 7M6

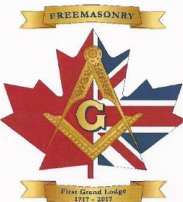
Includes hors d'oeuvres, sumptuous dinner, dessert & wine
(Dress – formal or period costume)

Price \$100.00

Join us for a once in 300 years party to commemorate the First Grand Lodge!

For tickets contact Syd Schatzker (905) 881-1929,

Harry Keleshian (416) 230-2433, Wayne Dobson (416) 606-7996



GTA Masons 300th Anniversary
First Grand Lodge

"In the beginning..."

*"A Reenactment of the Creation of
Freemasonry"*



Sunday November 26, 2017

Le Parc Dining & Banquet Hall

five act entertaining, fast moving, costumed presentation about the events, people
and places leading up to the formation of the first Grand Lodge & our modern
Speculative Craft – discover the "true story" of Freemasonry

At 10:00AM (to 3:30PM)

8432 Leslie Street (at HW 7) Markham, Ontario L3T 7M6

Includes delicious hot buffet lunch, AM & PM tea (coffee) breaks, handout
material of the day's events

(Dress – smart casual)

Price \$70.00

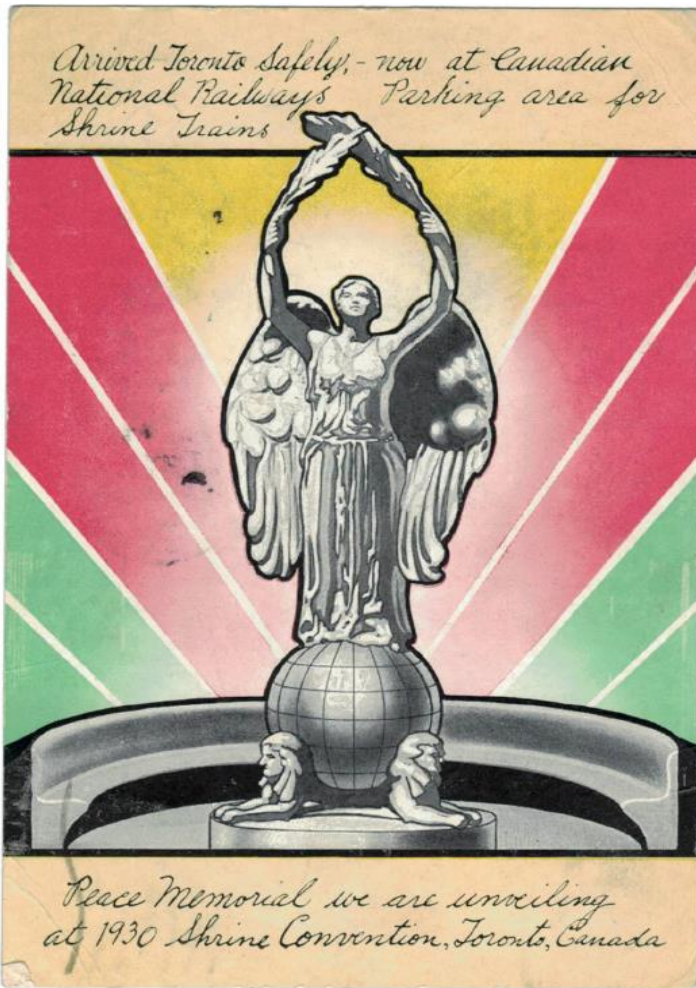
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Shrine Peace Memorial at the CNE



Shrine Peace Memorial

https://en.m.wikipedia.org/wiki/Exhibition_Place#

This monument, depicting a winged angel holding aloft a crown of olive branches and standing upon a globe held aloft by female sphinxes, was presented to the people of Canada on June 12, 1930 by the Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine (better known as the Shriners) as a symbol of peace and friendship between the United States and Canada. It is also meant as "an ongoing reminder that Freemasonry actively promotes the ideals peace, harmony, and prosperity for all humankind". It is situated immediately south of the Bandshell, and is the focal point of the surrounding rose garden.

In 1959, the City of Toronto, through its Parks and Recreation Department, undertook a very large project to beautify the parks throughout the City. A major phase of this project was the redevelopment of the waterfront at Exhibition Place. The work entailed the grading of the area south of the Bandshell and along the entire lakefront of Exhibition Place. Once this was complete, a promenade spanning a mile in length was constructed with benches, gardens, a lily pond and fountains along the way...The formal gardens planted throughout the entire area are filled with annuals, perennials and roses. As roses predominate, this part of Exhibition Place has come to be known as the Rose Garden.

Long Description: From the plaque in front of the structure: This large shrine was presented to the people of Canada by Imperial Potentate, Noble Leo V. Youngworth on behalf of the 600,000 members of the Ancient Arabic Order Nobles of the Mystic Shrine to commemorate the peaceful relationships existing for over a century between Canada and the United States. This gift was received by Noble the Honorable George S. Henry, Potentate of Rameses Shrine Temple, Toronto, representing the citizens of Canada.

On August 20, 1958 the surrounding garden and fountain, created by the Toronto Parks Department, was officially opened and the Memorial was re-dedicated to the cause of peace by Noble the Right Honourable John. C. Diefenbaker, P.C., Prime Minister of Canada

Text on Monument/Memorial Sign or Plaque:
Base of the sculpture:

ERECTED AND DEDICATED TO THE CAUSE OF
UNIVERSAL PEACE BY THE ANCIENT ARABIC ORDER
OF THE NOBLES OF THE MYSTIC SHRINE FOR NORTH
AMERICA JUNE 12 1930

Curved wall behind the sculpture

PEACE BE ON YOU - ON YOU BE THE PEACE



*Postcards used with gratitude from the collection of
R.W. Bro. Robert Kliaman*

The General Charge

Brethren, Hamilton District 'C' is proud to preserve and publish the writings of M.W. Bro. Raymond S.J. Daniels on our website. A recent addition is a complete treatise on the development of The General Charge.

Included here is the introduction. Read the full article here:

[The General Charge.pdf](#)



Masonic Education .

THE GENERAL CHARGE

Made in Canada

W. Bro. Raymond S. J. Daniels, P.M., B.A., F.C.F., M.P.S.
Chairman, Masonic Education, Waterloo District
Member, Grand Lodge Committee on Masonic Education

assisted by
R.W. Bro. Edward R. Habermehl, P.D.D.G.M.
Member of The Grand Lodge Board of General Purposes

It is that season of festivity in the Masonic year when the Ceremony of Installation and Investiture is conducted in those lodges that follow the old tradition of observing the Feast of St. John the Evangelist, on or about 27 December. We have the opportunity of hearing again that most inspiring piece of ritual, THE GENERAL CHARGE, which is given at the conclusion, as the grand finale of the Ceremony. It is a seamless masterpiece of lustrous prose, a piece of eloquent rhetoric, rich in poetic imagery, memorable not only for its content but also for its beauty of expression. Most Brethren would assume that it is the work of a single articulate genius, and you may be surprised to learn that it is a compilation from at least four sources. Furthermore, it is unique to our grand jurisdiction - truly *Made In Canada!* Only the first and last sections come from the post-Union English Emulation Ritual following 1813, and are attributed to William Preston and Dr. George Oliver. (1)

In its original form, the General Charge was very short, consisting of only three paragraphs, which might please those few "clock-watchers" among us for whom any meeting is too long, who cannot wait to "get out of here" and have come, not to enjoy the occasion, but only to have their attendance recorded and noticed. Only in the Grand Lodge of Canada and some daughter Grand Lodges formed from it, is it given in this extended form. *Only in Canada, you say? Pity!*

The Preface to The Ceremony of Installation first printed in 1876 at the instigation of our first Grand Master, M.W. Bro.

William Mercer Wilson, states that it was "*Compiled from the works of Doctor George Oliver, Dr. Albert G. Mackey, and other sources by Otto Klotz, P.D.D.G.M.*" (2) Klotz, to quote his own words, like "*the man who will never proclaim what he has done ...*" modestly omits to take credit for writing the greater part of this charge himself

The Masonic career of Otto Klotz has been fully documented by several scholars and presented in various published papers. (3) It is said that he was self-conscious about his strong German accent, and refused the Office of Grand Master because of it. (4) If the language of this Charge may be taken as evidence, his command of the English language was of the highest order.

I am most grateful to R. W. Bro. Ted Habermehl, Member of the Board of General Purposes of the Grand Lodge, for assisting me in this presentation by delivering the several sections of The General Charge as we consider them. R W. Bro. Habermehl's participation is particularly appropriate because he is a Past Master of Preston Lodge No. 297, and Past District Deputy Grand Master of Waterloo District, thereby the successor in both Offices to M.W. Bro. Klotz, the composer and author of The General Charge.

The six sections of The General Charge are arranged in the form of a vast triptych, a rich tapestry depicting the past, present, and future of Freemasonry: the first panel delineates what Freemasonry is and does; the second portrays the ideal Freemason, the living embodiment of its principles; and the third, invokes a prophetic blessing for the future of Freemasonry. It reminds us that Freemasonry is the men in it, and that "the lodge" is neither an organization nor a building, but the men who form it and meet within its walls. When delivered by a Brother with oratorical skill, it has the effect of a great symphony in three movements.

Let us listen again to the familiar words of this literary masterpiece of Masonic ritual, and in the time-honoured practice of Ancient, Free and Accepted Masons, speculate and reflect, ponder and contemplate its meaning for us in the last days of the twentieth century. Let us, in the words of the English Prayer Book Collect,

"read, mark, learn, and inwardly digest."

the real meaning and spirit of Freemasonry it encapsulates.

I THE GRAND DESIGN

The Charge begins with a Preface which states the essential duty of the Officers and Members of the Lodge to serve and please each other with humility and reminds them of their unity of purpose. When the new Worshipful Master is invested with the Apron as the token of "*the highest honour a lodge can bestow*" the Collar or chain of office, ancient symbol of the yoke of obligation and bounden duty, is also placed on his shoulders.....

Ed Note...access the website to read the whole piece

Historical Musings

The year is 1917 ... One hundred years ago. What a difference a century makes! Here are some statistics for the Year 1917 in America:

- The average life expectancy for men was 47 years.
- Fuel for cars was sold in drug stores only.
- Only 14 percent of homes had a bathtub.
- Only 8 percent of homes had a telephone.
- The maximum speed limit in most cities was 10 mph.
- The tallest structure in the world was the Eiffel Tower.
- The average US wage in 1910 was 22 cents per hour.
- The average US worker made between \$200 & \$400 per year.
- A competent accountant could expect to earn \$2000 per year.
- A dentist \$2,500 per year.
- A veterinarian between \$1,500 - \$4,000 per year.
- And, a mechanical engineer about \$5,000 per year.
- More than 95 percent of all births took place at home.
- Ninety percent of all Doctors had NO COLLEGE EDUCATION!
Instead, they attended so-called medical schools, many of which were condemned in the press AND the government as "substandard."
- Sugar cost four cents a pound.
- Eggs were fourteen cents a dozen.
- Coffee was fifteen cents a pound.
- Most women only washed their hair once a month, and, used Borax or egg yolks for shampoo.
- Canada passed a law that prohibited poor people from entering into their country for any reason.
- The Five leading causes of death were:
 1. Pneumonia and influenza
 2. Tuberculosis
 3. Diarrhea
 4. Heart disease
 5. Stroke
- The American flag had 45 stars ...
- The population of Las Vegas, Nevada was only 30.
- Crossword puzzles, canned beer, and iced tea hadn't been invented yet.
- There was neither a Mother's Day nor a Father's Day.
- Two out of every 10 adults could not read or write
- Only 6 percent of all Americans had graduated from high school.
- Marijuana, heroin, and morphine were all available over the counter at local corner drugstore. Back then pharmacists said, "Heroin clears the complexion, gives buoyancy to the mind, regulates the stomach, bowels, and is, in fact, a perfect guardian of health!" (Shocking?)
- Eighteen percent of households had at least one full-time servant or domestic help...
- There were about 230 reported murders in the ENTIRE U.S.A.!

From the Editor

Brethren,

We have had some interesting submission come across the wire this month. Please keep them coming, almost everything in this edition was provided by interested parties.

Special thanks to R.W. Bro. Kliaman, we are hoping to use more of his collection to anchor some articles in the upcoming editions.

I received the following link from R. W. Bro. Louie Lombardi. Thought you might be interested in this piece of our history. 2 minute video on the Bluenose and its Masonic connection.

<https://youtu.be/Wa5HN3Z7-O8>

It is a pleasure to be recognized 2 years in a row by Grand Lodge. In an editorial meeting, we were wondering aloud if anyone really reads the Chronicle. Hopefully the content resonates, I am trying to balance the Chronicle content, mixing news, interesting articles and whimsy, please feel free to reach out to me and pass along your thoughts.

S&F

Glen

IN MEMORIAM

Bro. Edward Netherton Venn

Corinthian Lodge No.513

Initiated - 23 June 1966

Passed - 15 September 1966

Raised - 20 October 1966

Passed to the Grand Lodge above June 28, 2017

W. Bro. Donald John Gregory

Hugh Murray Lodge No. 602

Initiated - April 7, 1948

Passed - May 5, 1948

Raised - June 2, 1948

Passed to the Grand Lodge above July 10, 2017

We will remember their families in Prayer



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