

# Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Oklahoma



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## GENERAL ORDER NUMBER 6, SERIES 2022-2023

To: The Officers of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Oklahoma,  
The Past Grand Commanders of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Oklahoma,  
and all Officers and Sir Knights of the Constituent Commanderies of Knights Templar of Oklahoma  
and to Whomever it May Concern



It is with great sympathy and sadness that I must report the passing of Sir Knight Gary A. Odendahl, Right Eminent Past Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Oklahoma (2020-2021), on Wednesday, August 10, 2022.

Gary was Initiated on July 1, 2002, Passed on September 16, 2002, and was Raised on October 12, 2002, in Chandler Lodge No. 58. Gary was Exalted on January 22, 2003, Greeted and Knighted on February 1, 2003, in the Stillwater York Rite Bodies. Gary served as Worshipful Master of Davenport Lodge No. 260 in 2009, Stillwater Chapter as Excellent High Priest in 2006, Stillwater Council No. 50 as Illustrious Master in 2007, and St. Johns Commandery as Commander in 2007. Gary was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal Bronze Award from the General Grand Chapter of Royal Arch Masons on April 22, 2011. Gary served as the Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Oklahoma in 2020-2021.

Let us remember our departed Sir Knight for his faithful years of service and dedication to the Knights Templar of Oklahoma.

This General Order shall be read at the head of the lines in each Constituent Commandery at the first Stated Conclave after its receipt, and your charter shall be draped in Sir Knight Gary Odendahl's remembrance for 30 days.

Sir Knight James R. Taylor, Jr.  
Right Eminent Grand Commander

Attest:

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*"Every Christian Mason should be A Knight Templar"*