



## **In Remembrance Ralph T. Hailey**

Worthy Grand Patron  
Grand Chapter of  
New Brunswick  
1980-1981

We pause to pay tribute to Brother Ralph Haley, Past Grand Patron of the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick who answered the call of our Father to the Grand Chapter on High, June 7, 1995, at the Charlotte County Hospital. Ralph Thompson Haley of St. Stephen, N.B. was initiated into Queen Mary Chapter 14, Order of the Eastern Star, May 1948. He served as Worthy Patron seven times. In 1980-81, he served as Worthy Grand Patron of the Grand Chapter of N.B. with Sister Ethel Tweedie, W.G.M.

He was a devoted and tireless worker whose record of accomplishments is lengthy. He was a Member and Past Master of Victoria Lodge No. 26, F. & A.M., Past District Deputy Grand Master of District No. 5, Past Junior Grand Warden of Grand Lodge of New Brunswick; Member and Past First Principal of St. Stephen Royal Arch Chapter No. 6, Past Grand District Superintendent District No. 1, Past Grand First Principal of the Grand Chapter of New Brunswick; Member and Past Illustrious Master of St. Croix Council No. 11, Royal and Select Masters, Calais, Maine, Past Most Illustrious Master of the Grand Council of Maine; Member and Past Preceptor of St. Stephen Preceptory No. 15A, Past Provincial Grand Prior, Past Grand Constable Sovereign Great Priory of Canada; Member of Oxford Lodge No. 1, Ark Mariners of Norway, Maine; Member of Maine Council, Order of High Priesthood: Member and Past Thrice Illustrious Master of Maine Council, Order Thrice Illustrious Masters; Member and Past President of Past Officers Association of Maine No. 1; Member of Luxor Temple A.A.O.N.M.S., Saint John, N.B. and was also in the east for several years; Member and Past Most Puissant Sovereign of McLeod-Moore Conclave No. 1 Red Cross of Constantine, Past Grand Intendant General Maritimes; Member and Past Prior of Knights of the York Cross of Honour Eastern Canada Priory No. 19; Member of Colonial Council No. 19, Knight Masons of New England; and Member of Pine Cone Council No. 31 Knight Masons of Maine.

He was also involved in other organizations, having joined the Independent Order of Odd Fellows in 1951, he was installed as Noble Grand in 1989. He was a member of the Royal Canadian Legion, St. Stephen Branch, 19. Brother Ralph was an honorary and devoted member of the Congregational Board of Kirk-McColl United Church of Canada, St. Stephen.

He is survived by his wife, Sister Alba; six sons and one daughter; one brother, Philip, and two sisters, Helen Pass and Marjorie Linton.

On Thursday evening, Queen Mary Chapter # 4, O.E.S., conducted a service, at The S.O. Mehan & Son Funeral Home. This was followed by a service by Victoria Lodge # 26, F. & A.M.

The funeral service was held on Friday from Kirk-McColl United Church with Rev. John Burse officiating. The Royal Canadian Legion conducted a service, following the regular service at the cemetery.

In token of esteem and fraternal love for our Past Grand Patron, let this memorial be read at the first stated meeting following receipt thereof, and the Altar draped in his memory.

BRENDA I. TAYLOR      JOSEPH HOLMES  
Worthy Grand Matron    Worthy Grand Patron  
GLENN A. GEER  
Grand Secretary

## **IN MEMORIAM**

### **BROTHER RALPH THOMPSON HALEY, P.G.P.**

Queen Mary Chapter No. 4 mourns the loss of one of its most loved and respected members, Ralph T. Haley, P.G.P., who passed away at the Charlotte County Hospital on June 7, 1995, following a period of failing health.

Ralph was born on Basswood Ridge, N.B., on August 10, 1918 and was one of a family of six children. He attended local schools and over the years had a variety of occupations, including woodwork, farming, restaurant management, property tax assessor, and commissionaire. He was a veteran of the Second World War and was a member of the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch No. 9 of St Stephen. In June of 1940, he married Alba Russell and together they brought up seven children - six boys and one girl - all of whom were very dear to his heart as well as his many grandchildren.

He was a member of the Kirk-McColl United Church of Canada, and an honorary member of the Unified Board of that congregation.

Second to his love of family and friends was his love for the Masonic Order and the following list of his accomplishments in that area attest to that fact. At the largely attended funeral held at his church, Robert Crawford, his former boss and longtime Masonic associate, gave the eulogy to Ralph and he mentioned in his address the following organizations with which Ralph had been associated over his Masonic career: Member and Past Master of Victoria Lodge No. 26. F. & A.M.; Past District Deputy Grand Master of District No. 5; Past Junior Grand Warden of Grand Lodge of N.B.; Member and Past First Principal of Royal Arch Chapter No. 6; Past Grand Superintendent District No. 1; Past Grand First Principal of the Grand Chapter of N.B.; Member and Past Illustrious Master of St. Croix Council, No. 11, Royal and Select Masters, Calais, ME; Past Most Illustrious Master of the Grand Council of Maine; Member and Past Preceptor of St Stephen Preceptory, No. 15A; Past Provincial Grand Prior; Past Grand Constable Sovereign, Great Priory of Canada; Member of Oxford Lodge No. 1, Ark Mariners of Norway, Me.; Member Maine Council, Order of High Priesthood; Member and Past Thrice Illustrious Master of Maine Council, Order of Illustrious Masters; Member and Past President of Past Officers' Association of Me., No. 1; Member of Luxor Temple AAO.N.M.S., Saint John, N.B. was also in the cast for several years; Member and Past Most Puissant Sovereign of MacLeod-Moore Conclave No. 1 Red Cross of Constantine, Past Grand Intendent General Maritimes; Member and Past Prior of Knights of the York Cross of Honour Eastern Canada Priory No. 19; Member of Colonial Council No. 19, Knight Masons of New England; Member of Pine Cone Council No. 21 Knight Masons of Me., Member of Queen Mary Chapter No. 4, O.E.S., serving as Worthy Patron on seven different occasions; was Worthy Grand Patron of the Grand Chapter of N.B., O.E.S. in 1980, serving with Ethel Tweedie as W.G.M.; joined Independent Order of Oddfellows in 1951; installed Noble Grand in 1989. Ralph became a member of the O.E.S. on May 6, 1948 and was made a life member on Nov. 18, 1993. Most of the members of his own Chapter will remember him as an excellent ritualist and in most recent years as our Chaplain.

A memorial service was conducted by Queen Mary Chapter No. 4 at Mehan's Funeral Chapel in St. Stephen on June 8th with a good attendance of sisters and brothers from all over the Province. This was followed by a memorial service presented by the officers of Victoria Lodge No. 26 F. & A.M. and it was truly one of the largest assemblies of Masonic Brethren ever seen in this area.

Sympathy is extended to his wife, Sister Alba, his two sisters, Sister Helen Pass of St. Stephen Chapter No. 8; Sister Marjorie Linton and his brother, Philip, both members of Queen Mary Chapter; to his sons, Albert, Floyd, Larry, Steven, Eric and Peter and his daughter, Donna, and their families as well as several nieces and nephews.