

## JOSEPH "JO" A. POTTER

Worthy Grand Patron

1983-1984



It is with deep sadness we report of the passing of Brother Joseph "Jo" A. Potter, Past Grand Patron of New Brunswick. Brother Jo was in his 87th year. He passed away peacefully on Wednesday March 21, 2012. Bora in Springhill, NS, he was the son of the late Archibald and Ottie Pearl (Fraser) Potter, D.C.M. Before moving to Moncton, Jo worked with the Cumberland Railway & Coal Co. in Springhill, NS, until 1958 and was retired Field Zone Warehouse Attendant for General Motors Canada, Moncton.

Jo was a member of St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church, former member of the Bible Study Group and served his church in various other positions in past years.

Brother Jo was a member of Acacia Lodge # 49 F. & A.M., The Moncton Lodge of Perfection and Britton Chapter Rose Croix, Luxor Shrine Temple, Saint John, The Moncton Shrine Club, and a Past Patron of Frank H. Tingley No. 5, O.E.S.

He served as Worthy Grand Patron of The Grand Chapter of New Brunswick, O.E.S in 1983-1984 with Sister Norma Jean Belyea as his Worthy Grand Matron and then served the General Grand Chapter as a member of the International Headquarters Committee in 1991-1994.

Jo had a great sense of humour, enjoyed making people laugh and socializing with his family and friends. Jo will be sadly missed by his wife, Sister Elizabeth "Beth" Potter; a stepdaughter, two stepson's and their families his brother Fraser and several nieces and nephews.

In addition to his parents, he was predeceased by his sisters, Jean, Lois and Elaine.

Acacia Lodge #49 F. & A.M. held a Memorial Service on Sunday evening, followed by an Eastern Star Memorial Service by members of his home Chapter, Frank H. Tingley No. 5, O.E.S.

Funeral Service was held at St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church on Monday March 26, 2012, 11:00 am, Rev. Dr. Martin Kreplin officiating. Interment was at Fair Haven Memorial Gardens.

*We little knew that morning, God was going to call your name,  
In life we loved you dearly, in death we do the same.  
It broke our hearts to lose you. You did not go alone.  
For part of us went with you, the day God called you home  
You left us beautiful memories. Your love is still our guide,  
And though we cannot see you, you are always at our side.  
Our family chain is broken, and nothing seems the same,  
But as God calls us one by one, the chain will link again"*

Mildred Homer,  
Worthy Grand Matron

Allan Gillis,  
Worthy Grand Patron

Doug Swan, PGP, Gr. Secretary