OFFICE OF THE SOVEREIGN GRAND COMMANDER

TO ALL FREEMASONS OF THE ANCIENT ACCEPTED SCOTTISH RITE OF THE OBEDIENCE OF THIS SUPREME COUNCIL.

Peers and Brethren:

I LL. F R I C G IN E T T E, 33°

Active Emeritus Member for this Supreme Council for the state of Vermont, died on Tuesday, December 31, 2019.
Ill. Eric Ginette, 33°, was born in Rochester, New York and educated at St. Rita’s School in Webster, New York and R.L. Thomas School, also in Webster, New York. He then attended Peralta College in Oakland, California, where he earned an Associate degree in History, Far East Studies.

Ill. Brother Ginette was a woodworker most of his life, specializing in creating custom Windsor chair reproductions at his business, Cabot Chair Shop, since 1979. In his later years, Ill. Brother Ginette, 33°, also raised poultry.

On March 6, 1980, Ill. Brother Ginette was joined in marriage to Lisa M. Labman in Cabot, Vermont, where they made their home. In his hometown of Cabot, Vermont, Bro. Eric had been a member of the Planning Commission, as well as the president and curator of the Cabot Historical Society.
Our Illustrious Brother had a distinguished career in Freemasonry:

**SYMBOLIC**

Raised a Master Mason in Green Mountain Lodge #68, in Cabot, Vermont on August 27, 1994, and was later affiliated with Meridian Sun Lodge #20 in Craftsbury, Vermont. He was also a member of Edward J. Wildblood Vermont Lodge of Research #110, and Fibonacci Lodge #112. Ill. Bro. Ginette also joined The Order of the Eastern Star and was a member of Charity Chapter #57. As a member of Green Mountain Lodge, he served as Senior Deacon, Junior Warden Senior Warden, and Worshipful Master. As a member of Meridian Sun Lodge, Ill. Bro. Ginette served as Marshal, Senior Deacon, Senior Warden, and Worshipful Master. As a member of Vermont Lodge of Research, he served as Senior Deacon and Junior Warden.

**GRAND LODGE**


**SCOTTISH RITE**

Completed the degrees of the Scottish Rite in the Valley of Montpelier (now the Valley of Central Vermont) on April 25, 1998. He served as Valley Secretary from 2003-2005, and again 2011-2013. Ill. Bro. Ginette also served as an officer in all three bodies of the Valley: Lodge of Perfection as Orator, Senior Warden, Deputy Master, and Thrice Potent Master; Council of Princes of Jerusalem as Tyler, Master of Entrances, Master of Ceremonies, Junior Warden and Senior Warden; and Chapter of Rose Croix as Master of Ceremonies, Orator, Junior Warden, Senior Warden, and Most Wise Master. He was also a member of the Valley of Rutland and Otter Creek Consistory.

**YORK RITE**

He was a Royal Arch Mason at Granite #26, Royal Arch Masons and Captain of Host and High Priest in Royal Arch Chapter. He was Cryptic Mason in Barre Council #22. He held the offices of Conductor of Council and Captain of the Guard in Council of Royal & Select Master. Ill. Bro. Ginette was also a Knight Templar in the Commandery of Aldemar #11, where he held the offices of Warden and Junior Warden. He also held the offices of Grand Historian in Grand Chapter and Grand Steward in Grand Council.
On August 30, 2005, Ill. Bro. Ginette was created a Sovereign Grand Inspector General, 33°, Honorary Member of the Supreme Council, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, Northern Masonic Jurisdiction. He served Vermont Scottish Rite as Active from 2006-2008, Deputy from 2009-2014. He then served as Active Emeritus until his passing. With Ill. Bro. Ginette's mentoring, Otter Creek Consistory was chartered in August 2014 as the second Consistory in Vermont.

A Masonic funeral service will be held at a later date in April 2020.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Grand Almoner’s Fund of the Scottish Rite, Northern Masonic Jurisdiction; P.O. Box 519, Lexington, MA 02420.

It is hereby directed that this Balustre be communicated to each Body of the Rite, and be suitably mentioned at the first meeting after its receipt.

May our Heavenly Father have him in His Holy Keeping.

Attest:

Ill. David A. Glattly, 33°
Sovereign Grand Commander

Ill. Douglas R. PolICASTRO, 33°
Grand Secretary General