

Kenneth Bernard Fischer
54th Grand Master of the Grand Encampment
2003-2006

Kenneth Bernard Fischer was born August 13, 1937, in Houston, Texas. He graduated from the University of Houston receiving a B.S. in Mechanical Engineering in 1960.

He married Arlene M. Martin, and they have five children; Ken Jr., Kristian, Amy, Wendi and Keri; and they have seven grandchildren; Samantha, Alexa, Andrew, Cameron, Triston, Clare and Meridian.

Kenneth and Arlene reside in Friendswood, Texas, and are members of Friendswood United Methodist Church. He is retired from Hoechst-Celanese, as Corporate Rotating Equipment Consultant after thirty-two years.

His professional and civic activities include registered-professional engineering, Texas (36 years); member, American Society of Mechanical Engineers; active member Turbo machinery Symposium, Texas A & M; Pump Symposium, Texas A & M; Vibration Institute; Amateur Radio Operator, W5KBF; and Amateur Radio Emergency Service.

His Masonic affiliations are: Sagemont Lodge No. 1426, AF. & AM., Past Master, D.D.G.M., 1994; Galena Park Chapter No.490, R.A.M., Past High Priest, D.D.G.H.P, 1977; Galena Park Council No. 405 R. & S.M., Past Thrice Illustrious Master, D.D.G.M., 1992; Order of the Silver Trowel of Texas, Past Thrice Illustrious Master; Park Place Commandery No. 106, Knights Templar, Past Commander; Park Place Commandery No. 106, Drill Captain (25 years); Ruthven Commandery No. 2, Drill Captain (3 years); Grand Commandery of Texas, Past Grand Commander (1990- 1991); Resurrection Tabernacle No. 21, HRAKTP, KC., (1993); San Jacinto Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine, Past Sovereign; Valley of Houston, A.A.S .R., S.J., KCCH (1992), 33° (1997); Royal Order of Scotland; Gulf Coast York Rite College No. 106, Purple Cross (1988); Order of DeMolay, Chevalier, Active Legion of Honor; Friendswood Chapter No. 1131, O.E.S.; Sam Houston Council No. 275, A.M.D., Past Sovereign Master, 1994; Anson Jones Council No.47, Knight Masons, Past Excellent Chief, 1994; Arabia Temple, AAONMS; Amaranth, Initiated 1994; holder of the Knight Commander of the Temple and Knight Grand Cross of the Temple. Additionally, he is a M.I. Past Grand Chancellor, Grand College of Rites; a Past Grand Governor, York Rite Colleges of Texas, Y.R.S.C.N.A.; Intendant General, Red Cross of Constantine, Division of Southern Texas; Past Sovereign Grand Master, Grand Council, Allied Masonic Degrees; and Past Grand Preceptor, Grand College HRAKTP, USA.

Kenneth Fischer was elected and installed Right Eminent Grand Captain General of the Grand Encampment in Denver, Colorado, in August 1994. He was elected Right Eminent Grand Generalissimo of the Grand Encampment on August 12, 1997 in St. Louis, Missouri. He was elected Right Eminent Deputy

Grand Master on August 15, 2000, in Nashville, Tennessee. He was installed as Most Eminent Grand Master on August 20, 2003, in St. Louis, Missouri.

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