

My Story...

Growing up I belonged to Girl Scouts and 4-H. At the age of 12, I joined Job's Daughters. While I enjoyed all three, Job's was definitely my greatest love. I fell in love with the ritual work and held 13 of the 18 offices, being installed Honored Queen in December 1971. It was during my years in Job's Daughters that I was first exposed to the Order of the Eastern Star. My Bethel formed the Living Cross at an installation ceremony and I was so impressed that I made myself a promise that night as I left the Lodge that I would be a member of Eastern Star someday. Upon reaching Majority age, I became a member of the Bethel Guardian Council. I also served three years as a Grand Deputy.

In 1977, I decided to fulfill my promise to myself that I would become a member of the Order. My husband, Mike, was raised to the sublime degree of Master Mason on March 30, 1978 in Vincennes Lodge #1 and the next day I contacted the Chapter Secretary for a petition for membership and on June 13, 1978 I was initiated into Odon Chapter #341. And 26 years later, to the day, I was installed as Worthy Grand Matron, and recently celebrated my 45th year of membership.

Let's Talk!

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Our Family

- My husband Michael and I will celebrate our 50th wedding anniversary in 2024. Mike is a veteran of the US Navy and retired from the Indiana Army National Guard after 17 years of service. He is a Past Master of Moore Lodge #303 F&AM and a member of Vincennes Lodge #1 F&AM. He is also a member of Odon Chapter #341 and has served 18 times as Worthy Patron, the office he currently holds.

- Our oldest son Nathan is a graduate of Vincennes University and St. Joe University. He is a Physicians' Assistant (PC). He is married to Crystal Marie Wagler and they have two sons. Caleb is a manager with Kroger and Carter is a senior at Purdue University and a member of Marine Corps ROTC. He will be reporting for active duty upon his commissioning/graduation in May 2024.

- Our middle son, Chad is a retired Master Gunnery Sergeant, USMC. He is a graduate of Vincennes University, University of Notre Dame, Western Kentucky University and Embry-Riddle FL/AZ. He is a Contracting Officer for Northrup-Grumman in the Aeronautical Division. He is married to Meredith Elaine Craney and they are the parents of our first granddaughter Ashlynn Elizabeth, who is a high-school senior in Virginia, and my grandson Haedon Easton, who is a freshman in high school.

- Our youngest son, Sean is a graduate of Vincennes University and is a Surveyor for the Indiana Department of Transportation. He is a Past Master of Moore Lodge #303 F&AM and a member and Past Master of Summitt City Lodge #170 F&AM. I had the pleasure of initiating him into our Order during my term as Worthy Grand Matron. He is married to Katrina Elizabeth Sennett and they are the parents of our two youngest grandchildren. Calynn Vera, a 5th grader, and Drew Michael, who is a 4th grader.

The Indiana Grand Chapter *along with* The Past Grands Association of Indiana

proudly endorse...



Sister Susie Roach, PGM

Candidate for the office of
Right Worthy Associate
Grand Conductress
of
General Grand Chapter
Order of the Eastern Star

Youth Group

- Majority Member
Bethel #81, Odon, IN
- Past Honored Queen
- Indiana Flag Bearer
Supreme Session 1972
- Past Bethel Guardian
- Past Guardian Secretary
- Past Guardian Treasurer
- Past Grand Second Messenger
 - Past Grand Deputy
 - Lifetime Member
Indiana Grand Bethel

Community Involvement

- Member Odon United Methodist Church
 - Odon Town Council
Past President
Current Vice President
 - United Way Day of Caring
 - Wreaths Across America
 - American Red Cross
 - Cub Scout Pack 481
Former Den Leader
 - Frank Roberts Youth League
Past Secretary-Treasurer
Co-Director League Tournaments
 - North Daviess High School Varsity Football Parents
Chairman (10 years)

Order of the Eastern Star Service

Subordinate Chapters

- Initiated Odon Chapter #341
June 13, 1978
Worthy Matron 11 times
Currently serving as Worthy Matron
- Plural Membership Washington Chapter #210
Currently serving as Associate Matron

Indiana Grand Chapter

- Worthy Grand Matron, 2004-05
- Jurisprudence, 2006-09 & 2022-24
 - Grand Trustee, 2010-15
Chairman, 2014-15
 - Grand Chapter Liaison Session Arrangements and Accommodations, 2017-Present
- Established the Indiana Grand Chapter Ritual Competition
 - Audit Committee
 - Board of Examiners
- Nettie Ransford Memorial Scholarship Committee
 - Phraseology
- Former Grand Representative of Illinois in Indiana
 - Past Deputy, District 2

General Grand Chapter

- Credentials Committee (2009-12)
Acting Chairperson
Fort Worth General Grand Chapter 2012

Education

- Graduate of North Daviess High School
- Graduate US Army Material Command Journey to Leadership
 - US Army Certified
Black Belt in Principles of Lean Six Sigma

Employment

- Indiana University
Clerk-Typist
- Naval Ammunition Depot
Clerk-Stenographer
- Drug Enforcement Administration
Personal Secretary – Regional Directors
- Naval Surface Warfare Center
Management Analyst
- Crane Army Ammunition Activity
Management Analyst
- Retired in 2020 after nearly 40 years of Federal Service

“When you find yourself in the position to help someone be happy and feel blessed because God is answering that person’s prayer through you. Remember, our purpose on earth is not to get lost in the dark, but to be a light to others, so that they may find their way through us. God bless you.”

Alberto Casting