

degree of Master Mason on March 7, 1973. Has held every office in the lodge including, Worshipful Master in 1980 and again in 2014. He was awarded Mason of the Year in 2000. He currently serves the Grand Lodge of Michigan as a Regional Grand Lecturer. He became a member of the Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite, Valley of Marquette in 1991, and has long participated in the 7th degree as one of the cast. He is a member of all three York Rite bodies and has served as Excellent High Priest of the Royal Arch Chapter and Thrice Illustrious Master of the Royal and Select Mason Council several times. He is a Noble of Ahmed Shrine and serves as Hospital chairman for the Local Shrine club. Additionally, he is a member of St Bonaventure Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine, having served as Puissant Sovereign in 2003. His Masonic history spans 4 generation, starting with his Grandfather Alfred Erickson, PM of Grand Marais Lodge # 423, Father, Robert W. Erickson, PM of Grand Marais Lodge #423, and continues with himself and his son Keith R. Erickson, PM of Bethel lodge #358 in Sault Ste Marie. Bob Will receive his Red Hat at the 187th Fall Reunion.



Brother Hugh Vary

Worshipful Brother Hugh Vary of Menominee was one of the most interesting men I enjoyed associating with. 70 years as a Mason, Hugh was Tiler of his Lodge for over 20 years in Menominee Lodge No. 269. He recently showed me his Scottish Rite Patent, which he asked me to sign as Grand Master. The certificate had most Michigan Grand Masters', Sovereign Grand Commanders', State Deputy's and Active member's signatures on it. Truly a treasure destined for a Museum. Such was the heart of Hugh, if you had the honor to know him, you too were treated to the kindness of a real brother of the Fraternity. He will be dearly missed.