

Easter Sunrise Registration

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90th Annual East Coast Easter Observance - 2020

The 90th Annual Easter Sunrise Service, sponsored by the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar, will again be held on the steps of the George Washington Masonic National Memorial; Alexandria, Virginia, on Sunday April 12, 2020.

HEADQUARTERS HOTEL

The headquarters hotel will be the Hilton Crystal City near Washington Reagan National Airport, 2399 Jefferson Davis Highway, Arlington, Virginia. The Knights Templar rate will be **\$105.00** per room (double occupancy). **First Come, First Serve**. Discount parking of \$17.00 is available per vehicle, per night.

Please make your reservations directly with the hotel by calling 703-418-6800 & mention “Knights Templar”. The special rate will be available until **March 20, 2020**, or until the group block is sold out whichever comes first. A hotel reservation link is available on the web at: www.knightstemplar.org

MEALS

A meal package is available for \$75.00 per person, which includes Saturday evening dinner and Sunday morning breakfast buffet. Additional tickets may be ordered separately: Saturday dinner, \$60.00; Sunday breakfast buffet, \$20.00

Note: The hotel and meal ticket cutoff date is March 20, 2019. No tickets will be sold at the door.

EASTER MORNING SCHEDULE

Breakfast buffet - 6:00 a.m.

Buses begin to leave hotel - 6:30 a.m.

Parade will step off at 7:40 a.m.

Easter Memorial Service - 8:00 a.m.

Buses return to the hotel after the service at approximately 9:30 a.m.

Full Templar Uniform is suggested for both the Banquet and Easter Service. Ladies should wear their “Easter Sunday Best” for an outdoor service!

Set your GPS for the Memorial, 101 Callahan Drive, Alexandria, Virginia or board the bus at the hotel for free transportation.

Note: There will be a Wreath Laying on Saturday at 10:00 A.M. at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier.

S.K. Thomas C. Helm, GSW
Chairman



Easter Sunrise Committee

Sir Knights,

We are writing to the all the Eminent Commanders, Generalissimos, Captains General and Recorders of the subordinate Commanderies of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Pennsylvania. You Sir Knights are the elected officers of this Grand Commandery and represent all of the members of your Commandery.

We are cordially inviting You, your Family & Friends to attend the Easter Sunrise Service at Alexandria, VA this year. The Grand Encampment has been hosting an Annual Easter Observance in our Nation's Capital for the last 88 years. For many of those years we met at Arlington Cemetery but for the last 28 years we have been holding this Sunrise Service at the George Washington National Masonic Memorial in Alexandria, VA.

Our Grand Commandery is only a few hours' drive from Alexandria. There on Sunday April 12, Knights Templar from all of the eastern Grand Commanderies will form a parade grouped by Grand Commandery and join in a short march up Shooter's Hill to our Masonic Memorial. The parade will step off at 7:40 AM and the Service will begin at 8:00 AM. SK Richard F. Muth, REGC will lead our Pennsylvania line. At the top of the hill we will salute SK Jeffrey N. Nelson, Grand Master of Grand Encampment.

On Saturday April 11 at 10:00 AM, REGC Muth will be placing a Wreath at the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier at Arlington National Cemetery. This event it is truly a solemn moment you will long remember.

The Grand Encampment has reserved rooms at the Hilton Hotel in nearby Crystal City at only \$105.00 per night. This is special Knights Templar rate so be sure to mention that you are a Knights Templar. The Grand Encampment will sponsor a Gala Banquet on Saturday, April 11 at 6:00 PM. Sir Knights and Ladies will be able to meet our Grand Master. On Sunday morning, Grand Encampment will sponsor a Breakfast at 6:00 AM before embarking on the buses provided to take us to the Memorial beginning at 6:30 AM.

Our Easter Sunrise Committee will again sponsor a Hospitality Suite in the Blue Ridge Room at the Hilton Hotel where you may greet Sir Knights from Pennsylvania and many who will visit from around the country. Snack food, cold drinks and adult beverages will be available.

It is important that your Commandery be represented. Please return the enclosed registration form before March 20. **Come to Virginia. Wear your full uniform. Bring your family and friends.**

Courteously,

Easter Sunrise Service Committee, 2020

SK Thomas C. Helm, GSW
SK Jerry J. Hamilton, PGC
SK Joseph P. Tolen, DC