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**DIRECTIVE No. 3: Honor Guard for MW James Durham PGM (Florida)**

14 September 2020

Greetings Sir Knights of Florida,

It has been requested that an Honor Guard be provided for the Funeral Services of MW James Durham, Past Grand Master of the Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Florida. After consultation with Sir Knight Jeffry N. Nelson, Most Eminent Grand Master of the Grand Encampment of Knights Templar, USA, General Order No. 12 has been suspended for this SINGLE EVENT to be held on 21 September with the following restrictions.

- 1) Only two Sir Knights in Class A Uniforms will be permitted to stand on either side of the casket as the Honor Guard for the Funeral Service.
- 2) Two additional uniformed Sir Knights may act as the relief Honor Guard to be rotated on a 10 to 15-minute interval, or as needed.
- 3) The Honor Guard must wear a mask at all times.
- 4) No other Sir Knights may be present in uniform during the Funeral Services or any part thereof.

General Order No. 12 prohibits any Knight Templar activity of any kind, including performing honor guards for installations, official visits, etc. This exemption has been granted for this event only.

Should you have any questions regarding how to proceed please reach out to the office of the Grand Secretary or myself.

Given under my hand and Seal of the Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Florida at Pembroke Pines, Florida, this fourteenth day of September 2020 A.O. 902

Courteously,

Brett A. Gordon, KYCH  
R.E. Grand Commander

