



## Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Nevada

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### Memorial to Gerald L. “Jerry” Ogle

Born in Wenatchee, Washington on October 17, 1935.

Jerry entered the Marine Corps on October 13, 1953. He served in the Corps for 31 years, retiring as a Sargent Major. He couldn't put aside the uniform so in Henderson he took on the job of teaching the Marine Corps Junior Reserve Officers Training Corps at Basic High School and helped them win National Championships. He finally did retire in 1996. He was a proud Viet Nam veteran, a life member and Past Department Commander of the Disabled American Veterans.

Jerry was raised a Master Mason on September 14, 1984 in Grandview Lodge 618 A. F. & A. M. in Missouri, the same lodge where Harry Truman was the first Worshipful Master. In Henderson, he served Mt. Moriah Lodge No. 39 as Master in 1996.

He was as devoted to York Rite Masonry as he was to the Marine Corps. He served as Illustrious Grand Master in 2004 and the following year was appointed Right Puissant Southwest Regional Deputy General Grand Master of the General Grand Council International serving 2005 to 2008. In 2008 he was Grand Commander of Knights Templar in Nevada and as Grand High Priest of Royal Arch Masons in 2011. In 2017 he served as Most Worshipful Grand Master of Masons in Nevada.

He was as active as a dedicated Mason could be; a member of Zelzah Shrine, a 33<sup>rd</sup> Honorary of Scottish Rite, an Associate Regent of the Sovereign York Rite College, Past Sovereign of the Red Cross of Constantine, a Knight Mason, Past Monarch of Chaman Grotto, member of the Royal Order of Scotland and a member of Sunrise Chapter of Easter Star.

At 5-feet 1 inch tall, weighing 112 pounds with a 22 inch waist he had a hard time getting in the Marine Corps but he proved in his life to be a giant of a man and Mason.

He laid down the working tools of life and joined that Celestial Lodge above on February 25, 2019. A Masonic Memorial Service will be conducted by Mt. Moriah Lodge at the Henderson Masonic Temple on Wednesday, March 20, 2019 at 1:00 P. M.