

DELAWARE SUPPLEMENT

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**Wayne T. Slack
Grand Commander**

Wayne Slack's journey in life began in New Hope, Pennsylvania, on December 13, 1938, as the only child of Elwood and Ruth Slack. The Slack family moved to Philadelphia in 1940, and Wayne was educated in the Philadelphia School System. In 1956, he joined the United States Army as a medic. He was sent to Germany and became a member of the 11th Airborne Division. He was honorably discharged in February, 1959. In January, 1962, he met and fell in love with his beautiful wife, Joanne. They became engaged in March and were married on September 7, 1962.

The Slacks have two children. Their son, James, and his wife, Debbie, and son, Kyle, live in Wallingford, PA. Their son, Thomas, and his wife, Regina and two daughters, Rozalyn and Lauren, live in Smithfield, PA.

Wayne's Masonic career started on November 6, 1976, when he entered Emulation Lodge #728 in Philadelphia, PA, and became Master in 1985-86. Wayne is a Past High Priest of Howell Chapter #202, West Chester, PA; he is also Past High Priest of Brandywine Chapter #9. He is PIM of Gunning Bedford Council #1 and PIGM of the Grand Council of Delaware.

Wayne is Worthy Patron of Ruth Chapter #19 OES in Wilmington, DE. He is also Past Patron of West Chester Chapter #352 OES of West Chester, PA. He is involved in many other Masonic activities. He is extremely honored on March 13, 2010, to be elected Grand Commander in Delaware. He would like to thank all who supported him in his travels to the Grand East.

Again, thank you all.

CHESTER C. COFFIN CENTENNIAL CLASS

Well known to most all Delaware York rite Masons, Chester Coffin turns 100 years old this year. Chet has been the bulwark of the York Rite Bodies in Southern Delaware for almost 60 years, providing guidance and assistance in the Lodge, Chapter, Council, and Commandery.

To commemorate this momentous Milestone, two one-day classes are to be named in his honor. The first will take place on Saturday, May 15, in the Wilmington Masonic Temple. On this day, all four Capitular Degrees will be conferred. Sir Knights, this will be your golden opportunity to secure petitions for your Commandery.

The second one-day class is scheduled for Saturday, June 12, to confer all the Chivalric Orders. The Orders will be held in the Wilmington Masonic Temple beginning at 9:00 a.m. Any Commandery needing to ballot on candidates, may do so prior to the Orders.

Fratres, let us take advantage of this occasion to pay homage to Chester and dwell the ranks of our Commanderies. Let's extend to our Companions "More light in the York Rite."