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*Born: May 11, 1934 in Justin, Michigan to the late Louis J. and Ida Bartrand*

*Married: Meira Riddle in Edinburgh, Scotland on October 8, 1955.*

*Family: Three children, son Louis J. Bartrand, daughters, Heather J. Reagan and Carmen M. Harris. We also have six grand children and two great-grand children.*

*Education:*

*Graduated from Muskegon Heights High School, Muskegon Heights, Michigan in 1952 with a College Diploma.*

*Graduated from the University of Maryland in 1974 with a Bachelor of Science in Business Administration.*

*Graduated from Troy State University, Alabama in 1975 with a Masters Degree in International Relations.*

*Military: Enlisted in the U.S. Air Force in 1952. Served tours in Scotland and Japan before attending Officer Candidate School, San Antonio, Texas in 1960. Received my pilot wings at Craig AFB, Selma, Alabama in 1962. Flew the C-130 for several years and worked extensively with the four services. Had numerous command and supervisory positions. Served 30 years overseas in a host of countries throughout the world. Had very close relations with most European Air Forces and also the Jordanian Air Force. Retired as a Colonel in 1990 with 38 years active duty.*

*Church: Active member of Oak Harbor Lutheran Church - ELCA*

*Community:*

*Inghemish County Association of Life Underwriters - Past president*

*Volunteer at Everett General Hospital*

*Retired Officers Association, Oak Harbor - Past president*

*Rotary Club of Oak Harbor - Past president*

*Currently International Chairman - presented wheel chairs to needy in Tabasco Province, Mexico*

*Church choir*

## *MASONIC HISTORY*

*Symbolic: Luther-Lakes Lodge #370, Luther, Michigan. Raised December 6, 1973.*

*Whidby Island Lodge #15, Coupeville, Washington. Life member.*

*Lodge Alba #315, Seattle, Washington. Worshipful Master - 2008*

*Capitular: Was a member of Heidelberg Chapter #4, Heidelberg, Germany. Exalted April 12, 1975. Demitted 2007.*

*Heart of Midlothian Chapter No. 365, Edinburgh, Scotland. Life Member.*

*Anacortes Chapter #59, Anacortes, Washington. Past High Priest. Life Member.*

*Research Chapter #68, Everett, Washington.*

*Mission Chapter #28, Port Coquitlam, British Columbia, Canada.*

*Anchorage Chapter #3, Anchorage, Alaska. Life Member.*

*Order of High Priesthood of Washington. April 16, 1994.*

*Order of High Priesthood of Idaho, Montana, Nevada and British Columbia.*

*Royal Arch Masonic Homes Society, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada. Life Member.*

*Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Washington:*

*1997 and 1998 Deputy of the Grand High priest*

*1999- 2000 - Grand Scribe*

*2000- 2001 - Deputy Grand High Priest*

*2001- 2002 - Grand High Priest*

*2002- 2006 - Grand Secretary*

*2007- Secretary, Royal Arch Masons Children's Heart Foundation, Inc., Washington*

*General Grand Chapter:*

*Permanent Member - October 29, 2002.*

*Perpetual Life Member - February 22, 2003.*

*2002-2005 - Ambassador to Washington*

*2005-2008 - Deputy General Grand High Priest - Northwest*

*Life Subscriber - "The Royal Arch Mason"*

*Cryptic: Heidelberg Council #2, Heidelberg, Germany. Greeted April 12, 1975.*

*Bellingham Council #16, Bellingham, Washington. Past Illustrious Master. Life Member.*

*Anchorage Council #1, Anchorage, Alaska. Life Member.*

*Perseverance Leith Cryptic Council #152, Edinburgh, Scotland.*

*Order of Thrice Illustrious Masters, Washington April 16, 1994, Nevada and British Columbia.*

*Grand Council Royal & Select Masters of Washington:*

*2002-2003 - Grand Master of Ceremonies*

*2003-2004 - Grand Principal Conductor of Work*

*2004-2005 - Deputy Grand Master*

*2005-2006 - Most Illustrious Grand Master*

*2006- Chairman, Finance Committee*

*Chivalric: Heidelberg Commandery #2, Heidelberg, Germany. Knighted April 12, 1975.*

*Hesperus Commandery #8, Bellingham, Washington. Past Eminent Commander*

*Columbia Preceptory #24, Vancouver, British Columbia, Canada.*

*Anchorage Commandery #2, Anchorage, Alaska. Life Member.*

*Reuben M. Baer Past Commander's Association of Washington, February 12, 2000.*

*Scottish Rite, S. J. USA- 32<sup>nd</sup> Degree - Everett Valley, Everett, Washington. Member over 30 years.*

*Scottish Rite Research Society.*

*RELATED BODIES:*

- *Grand Representative of the Supreme Grand Chapter Royal Arch Chapter of Scotland near the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Washington.*
- *Grand representative of the Grand Council of Scotland of Royal, Select and Super Excellent Masters near the Grand Council Royal & Select Masters of Washington.*
- *Grand Representative of the Supreme Grand Royal Arch Chapter of Ireland near the Grand Chapter Royal Arch Masons of Washington.*
- *Rainier York Rite College #54. Past Governor.*
- *Order of the Purple Cross, July 28, 2001.*
- *Royal Order of Scotland. Member. Thistle Clan Life Member.*
- *Chinook Council #77, Allied Masonic Degrees. Past Sovereign Master.*
- *Red Branch of Fri and Appendant Orders.*
- *St. Olav Conclave, Red Cross of Constantine and Appendant Orders. Past Puissant Sovereign.*
- *Centarf Council #69, Grand Council of Knight Masons of the United States of America. Past Excellent Chief.*
- *Pacific Northwest Chapter #534, National Sejoyners, Inc. Past President. Member in Perpetuity.*
- *Heroes of '76. Past Commander.*
- *Washington College Masonic Societas Resicruciana in Civitatibus Foederatis, V.H. January 30, 2001.*
- *British Columbia & Yukon Conclave #7, Order of the Secret Monitor of Canada.*
- *Tahoma Chapel #30, The Commemorative Order of St. Thomas of Acon.*
- *G.C. Correspondence Circle Ltd., in association with Quatuor Coronati Lodge No. 2076, London, England*
- *Chevaliers Bienfaisants De La Cite Sainte. Washington, D.C. February 9, 2007.*
- *Numerous Honorary membership and "Fun" degrees associated with the lighter side of Masonry.*

- *I am very proud of being the driving force behind the reestablishment of Fraternal Recognition between the Grand Encampment of the United States of America and the Great Priory of Scotland.*

## *Personal Comments*

### *Why Me?*

*I have been extremely involved in Masonry since arriving in Washington. There have been many negatives during this period. At about the same time the current officers of the General Grand Chapter took on the challenge of increasing communications, changing publications, being seen throughout the jurisdiction and getting involved with deficiencies in the system. That effort has been very successful. Membership in Brazil has increased dramatically, a chapter was chartered in Togo (a first for Africa), special visits were made to Rumania and Scotland, better educational programs have been instituted, and Bibles were made available for the Order of High Priesthood. Visits have been made by all of the officers to assure they are involved in the resolution of problems when they develop or to nip them in the bud before they arise. A combination of these efforts seems to be turning the tide.*

*How does all of this affect me? I am a doer. I believe in getting involved and seeing a job through to completion. I re-wrote the Washington Grand Code to make it more readable. I created the first web site for our Grand Chapter. I created a data base for the Grand Chapter of Washington where one did not exist. It currently covers 79 years of our history. I developed a financial plan for the Grand Council of Washington - one had never previously existed. I was the driver behind the reestablishment of recognition of the Great Priory of Scotland by the Grand Encampment of the United States of America. I have led the Grand Chapter and Grand Council of my State. I have led organizations for well over 25 years and have proven myself.*

*Why me? I would like to continue these efforts as your General Grand Scribe. By getting out to the General Grand subordinate bodies, involving their people, discussing new programs, listening to their concerns and basically spreading the word I believe that I can make a positive difference. By being a working member of this action-oriented team we can motivate them and propel our members into the future. I would be very pleased to discuss this with anyone, take your concerns and to help shape our future.*