

Biography

Sir Knight William Searcy, III, KCT

"Faithful To Our Vows"

152nd Right Eminent Grand Commander

Knight Commander of The Temple

Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of Virginia

Sir Knight William Searcy, III was born in Birmingham, AL on August 27, 1964. He attended public schools there and was accepted to the United States Military Academy at West Point, NY in 1982. Graduating in 1986, he was commissioned as a 2LT in the Field Artillery. Over the course of 7 years he served in numerous locations, finishing his military career as a Captain at Ft. Polk, LA.

Bill spent a couple of years in corporate life but decided that the call to service was too strong to ignore. He entered on duty as a Special Agent of the Federal Bureau of Investigation on March 5, 1995, a career that would see him serving in numerous duty stations around the world. He retired from the FBI after 22 years, having obtained the grade of Senior Executive Service II.

Bill was raised to the Sublime Degree of Master Mason on August 27, 2011, on what he called his 47th original birthday but his true birth into the Light of Freemasonry. He subsequently served as the Master of Lodge 1752 in 2019.

His journey into the York Rite began on March 10, 2012 as a member of Fredericksburg Chapter #23 when Bill was Exalted to the Royal Arch. He served as the Excellent High Priest of this Chapter in 2016 and was honored to be the DDGHP of District 19 in 2020.

Subsequently, Bill was Created a Knight Templar on May 19, 2012, a member of Fredericksburg Commandery Number 1. He served two terms as the Commander during the years 2015 and 2016. His motto was "Jehovah Roi", The Lord Our King, and emphasized a return to ritualistic excellence for all officers and members. During his term, Fredericksburg proudly, and for the

first time in recent memory, was able to confer all three Orders of Knighthood in 2016. He was further humbled to serve as the DDGC of the 9th Chivalric District during the year 2016. Bill was appointed as the District Instructor of Work for the 9th District, a position he has held and executed since 2016.

Bill's commitment to the faith is unwavering. Until recently, he served as the pulpit minister of the Piedmont Church of Christ in Spotsylvania, VA. However, owing to the press of his duties to our fraternity, he has stepped away from that duty to become the Associate Minister of that body. Bill is employed by Microsoft Corporation as a Digital Architect and serves as a Director of Digital Transformation.

On December 16, 1987, Bill wed the former Ms. Luz Ramos Tucay in Rodekro, Denmark. God blessed them with 4 daughters and one son...so far. They are now the proud and busy grandparents of 5 grandsons and 3 granddaughters.