

Joe was raised in Millburn Lodge No. 127, on August 4, 2001 and served as Worshipful Master in 2007-2008. He is an honorary member of Batangas Lodge No. 35, in the Philippines and is a Charter member of Amistad Lodge No. 81, in Petah Kita, Israel, and Yellowstone Historic Lodge No. 88, Fort Buford, ND. He is a Plural member of Tranquility Lodge No. 2000, Texas, Rising Sun Lodge No. 115, Illinois and Palatine Lodge No. 314, Illinois. Joe served as a District Deputy Grand Master twice; 1st Northeast (2010-2013) and 2nd Northeast (2015-2016) and serves as the Grand Representative to Uruguay.

He was exalted a Royal Arch Mason in Waukegan Chapter No. 41, Illinois in 2001 and served as Excellent High Priest, 2004-2005. He was elected to the Grand Chapter, Royal Arch Masons line, in 2005 and served as Most Excellent Grand High Priest, 2009-2010. He is a Permanent voting member of the General Grand Chapter and served as its Ambassador in Illinois, 2010-2013. He was elected Honorary Most Excellent Past Grand High Priest, Most Excellent Grand Chapter, Holy Royal Arch Masons, and Prince Hall in Jul 2010. He holds Honorary memberships in six Chapters and five Grand Chapters.

He was Greeted as a Cryptic Mason in Cryptic Council No. 46, Palatine, Illinois, in 2001 and served as Thrice Illustrious Master, 2005-2006. He helped re-charter Lake Council No. 121, Waukegan, Illinois, in 2005 and served as Thrice Illustrious Master. He was elected to the Grand Council of Cryptic Masons line in 2012 and served as Illustrious Grand Marshal, 2013-2014. He is a Life member of the General Grand Council, Cryptic Masons, International.

Joe was knighted in Bethel Commandery No. 36, Palatine, Illinois in 2002. He served as Eminent Commander (2006-2007). He is a Life member of the Past Commander's Association. He established Chicago Preceptor No. 13, Yeomen of York, Illinois in 2012 and served as Director General, 2013-2014.

Joe received his 32nd Degree at the Valley of Chicago, AASR, NMJ, Chicago, Illinois in November 2004 and served as an officer for six years. He started the Knights of St. Andrew, Valley of Chicago, AASR, Illinois in 2011 and served as Knight Commander until 2013.

Joe was Fez'd in the Ancient Arabic Order of Nobles of the Mystic Shrine, Medinah Shrine Temple, Addison, Illinois in 2002. He served as a member of the Chicago Shriners Hospital Committee, 2004-2016, and is a member of the Past Masters Committee since 2009.

Joe joined Millburn Chapter No. 570, Order of the Eastern Star, Illinois in 2002. He served as Worthy Patron, 2011-2014. He became a Dual member of Sorosis Chapter No. 329, Illinois in 2005 and served as Worthy Patron, 2006-2007 and 2010-2011. Due to a merger, he became a member of Libertyville Chapter No. 438, Illinois in 2016 and was elected Worthy Patron in 2017.

Joe joined the National Sojourners in Lake Michigan Chapter No. 289, Illinois in 2003. He served as Chapter President, 2008-2009. He received the Heroes degree in Stephen Decatur Camp, Illinois, in 2003 and served as Camp Commander, 2009-2010. He served National Sojourners, Incorporated, as Regional Representative, 2010-2012 and 2016-2017 and as Great Lakes Area Representative, 2017-2018. He was elected to the Committee of 33 in 2017 and appointed Chairman, Publications Review Board in 2018.

Joe became a member of the Mystic Order of Veiled Prophets of the Enchanted Realm in El Jaala Grotto, Illinois in 2006. He served as Master of Ceremonies, 2010-2012. Joe joined the Ancient Egyptian Order of Sciots at Illinois Pyramid No. 1, Illinois in 2010, serving as Toparch, 2011-2012. He was elected a Supreme Trustee of the Supreme Pyramid in 2012. He was made a Life member of California Pyramid No. 43 in 2014. He served as the Pharaoh in 2015.

He became a High Twelvian in Middle Chamber Masonic High Twelve Club 725, Illinois in 2009, and served as Club President, 2012-2013. He became a Charter member of Northwest Masonic High Twelve Club 769, Illinois in 2012 and served as Wolcott Representative until 2013. He became a Charter member of Cornerstone Masonic High Twelve Club 772, Illinois in 2013 and served as Treasurer until 2014. Joe was elected 3rd Vice President of the Illinois Association of Masonic High Twelve Clubs in 2013, and served as State President, 2015-2016. He became a Plural member of Hamilton Masonic High Twelve Club 414, Ohio in 2013. He was elected 3rd Vice President of the Ohio Association of Masonic High Twelve Clubs in 2017. Joe was elected to the International line as 2nd Vice President in 2016. He was elected International President in June 2018.

Joe received his Knight of York degree in Illinois York Rite College No. 15, York Rite Sovereign College of North America in October 2006. He served as Knight of York Degree Director, 2010-2012. He was installed in St. Bridget Council No. 23, Knight Masons USA, Illinois in 2007. He received the Order of the Sword of Bunker Hill degree in John J. Pershing Order No. 24, Peoria, Illinois in Mar 2008. He was Ordained in Simon Peter Tabernacle XXII, Holy Royal Arch Knight Templar Priests, Illinois in 2009.

He was a Charter member of Liberty Shrine No. 113, Order of the White Shrine of Jerusalem, Illinois in 2002. He served as Watchman of Shepherds, 2006-2007 and as Deputy Supreme Watchman of Shepherds, 2007-2008. Joe was elected an Advisory Board Member, Antioch Assembly No. 23, International Order of Rainbow for Girls, Illinois, 2004-2009.

Joe became a Charter member of Northern Illinois Forest 214, Tall Cedars of Lebanon, Des Plaines, Illinois in 2014. He became a Life member of the Tall Cedars Foundation in 2014. He was elected and served as Grand Tall Cedar, 2015-2016.

He was Initiated in Edwin M. Lambert Council No. 319, Allied Masonic Degrees, Chicago, Illinois in 2006 and served as Sovereign Master, 2016-2017. He became a plural member of Illuminati Council No. 495, Addison, Illinois in 2011 and was made a Knight of the Royal Order of Eri. Joe completed all AMD degrees in Arlington, VA in 2018.

Joe's many Awards include the Knight York Grand Cross of Honour, Jul 2009; DeMolay International Legion of Honor, August 2009; Valley Award, Valley of Chicago, AASR, NMJ, in 2011; Daniel Carter Beard Masonic Scouter Award, 2013; Thirty-Third Degree, Supreme Council, Scottish Rite, NMJ, 2 August 2013, and Knight Commander of the Red Branch of Eri, Supreme Grand Faslaire in 2017.

He is a member of the Anointed Order of High Priesthood Illinois Council of Thrice Illustrious Masters (Order of the Silver Trowel); Illinois Knights Templar Past Commanders Association; Masonic Relations Committee; Grand College of Rites of the USA; Scottish Rite Research Society; The Masonic Society, and the Phylaxis Society (Prince Hall). He is a Charter member of the Society of King Solomon and the National Association of Masonic Scouters.

Joe also stays busy in his community. He is the Secretary of the Lake County Crime Stoppers, Chairman of the Air Force Security Forces Association Chapter, Vice President of the Air Force Association Chapter, an NRA Certified Range Safety Officer, a Boy Scout Unit Commissioner, a Civil Air Patrol officer, and Liturgist at his church. In his free time, he rests.