

**M. VEN. BRO. BRIAN ROUNTREE**  
**Acclaimed for the position of Grand Secretary 2023-25**



Born in England in 1948, Brian moved to Windsor, Ontario with his parents in 1955. After high school and Windsor Teacher's College, he began teaching at the elementary school level in Ontario before moving to Thompson, Manitoba in 1977. There he taught grade 3 and eventually became a teacher-librarian before retiring from teaching in 1998.

Brian is an Anglican priest, ordained in Thompson in 1998. He served as rector of Springfield Parish (Pine Falls and Lac du Bonnet, MB.) from 1998-2003 at which time he went to the University of Western Ontario to obtain a Master of Library and Information Science degree. Returning to Winnipeg, he catalogued the Grand Lodge of Manitoba collection using his own adaptation of the Boyden System for Masonic Classification.

Brian worked at Red River College teaching Library Technician students from 2005 to 2019 when he retired. He continues to teach courses through their Continuing Education

department.

Brian is married to Iris, a fibre artist specializing in liturgical vestments. They have two grown children, one grandson and two granddaughters.

# MASONIC BIOGRAPHY

## CRAFT MASONRY

- 1971 Initiated in Dominion Lodge #598 [now Trinity #521], Windsor, Ontario.
- 1978 Afiliated with Mystery Lodge 174, Thompson, Manitoba. Worshipful Master, 1980.
- Memberships include:
  - Mystery Lodge 174, Thompson, Manitoba
  - Hiram Abiff Lodge of Research # 191, Winnipeg, Manitoba
  - Heritage Lodge # 730, Cambridge, Ontario
  - Launceston Lodge of Research #69, Lauceston, Tasmania
- Grand Lodge of Manitoba offices
  - DDGM (Honorary), 1985
  - J.R.C. Evans memorial lecturer, 1994-95
  - Grand Chaplain, 2001– 2005
  - Grand Librarian, 2005 –

## ROYAL ARCH

- Exalted in Pre-Cambrian Chapter #17, Flin, Flon, Man. 1978 [now in darkness]
- Affiliated Prince Rupert Chapter #1, Winnipeg, Man. Second Principal, 2022 .
- Grand Chaplain 2018 --

## SCOTTISH RITE

- Received 14<sup>o</sup> in Windsor Lodge of Perfection, 1974.
- Affiliated with Brandon Valley and completed degrees 15 to 32.

## ALLIED MASONIC DEGREES OF CANADA

- Keystone Council #172, initiated February 2000.
  - Sovereign Master 2009-2010
  - Secretary 2011 ---
- Atlantic Council # 225, St. John's, NL. Founding member in 2015
- Grand Chaplain 2009 – 2012
- Grand Secretary 2012 –
- Grand Representative of Grand Council of Romania to AMD Canada 2015--
- Past Sovereign Grand Master (Honorary) 2021

## ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

- Initiated in Chimo Chapter #68, Thompson, Man. 1978. Past Worthy Patron
  - (Merged in 2002 with Opasquai Chapter #24, The Pas, Man.)
- Member of Friendship Chater #67, Winnipeg, Manitoba

## Other Orders

- Order Of The Secret Monitor
- Order Of The Scarlet Cord
- Red Cross Of Constantine
- Royal Order Of Scotland

## **MASONIC LIBRARY & MUSEUM ASSOCIATION**

- Member since 2004
- Secretary 2007 -- 2015
- Vice-President 2015--2017
- President 2017 – 2021

The Grand Lodge of Manitoba hosted the 2011 annual meeting in Winnipeg, its first outside the continental United States.