

# The Grand Commandery of Knights Templar of the State of Iowa

Series 2025-2026  
General Order No. XI



Jason W. Delzell, REGC  
April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2026

*To: All Past Grand Commanders, current Grand Officers, Committee Members, Officers, and Sir Knights of all Constituent Commanderies within the Jurisdiction of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Iowa.*

It is with sadness that I must announce the passing of Past Grand Commander Jerry Loring Wahl, PGC 2022-2023, who passed to the Grand Asylum above on April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2026.

It is the order of REGC Delzell that ALL Constituent Commanderies drape their charters for 30 days.



Jerry L. Wahl

6.20.1957 – 4.22.26

Jerry Loring Wahl was born on June 20, 1957, at Grinnell, Iowa to Carl and Henrietta Wahl. He was a graduate of Kellogg Elementary School and a 1976 graduate of Newton High School. Jerry was a rural mail carrier for over 38 years. He was a gifted musician and an avid collector of coins. He passed away on April 22, 2026, at Newton Village in Newton at the age of 68.

Brother Wahl became a Master Mason on August 30, 1993, in Unit Lodge #520f at Baxter. He served the lodge on two occasions as Worshipful Master and was the long-time secretary.

He received his York Rite degrees and Orders in the Newton York Rite. He was exalted in Gebal Chapter #12 RAM on November 11, 1995: greeted in Malachi Council #55 R.&S.M. on November 11, 1995, and knighted in Oriental Commandery on November 21, 1995. He had served as High Priest, Illustrious Master, and Eminent Commandery. Sir Knight Wahl served as Grand Commander of the Grand Commandery Knights Templar of Iowa in 2022-2023.

He was a member of the Des Moines Scottish Rite Consistory and Za-Ga-Zig Shrine. He belonged to many invitational Masonic bodies: Iowa York Rite College #37, Last Supper Tabernacle XVIII Holy Royal Arch Knights Templar Priests, Polaris Council #449 Allied Masonic degrees, Iowa College SRICF, Charles Clyde Hunt Priory #42 Knights York Cross of Honour, Iowa Court #81 Masonic Order of Athelstan, the Operatives, Green Degrees Council #93 Knight Masons, St. Ignatius Conclave Red Cross of Constantine, Royal Order of Scotland, and Yeoman of York.

Jerry is survived by his brother Norris of Kellogg. He was predeceased by his parents Carl and Henrietta Wahl.

A Masonic Service will be held on Saturday, April 25, 2026, at 5:00 p.m. at Fredregill Funeral & Cremation Care (107 N. Main Street) in Baxter. Immediately following, a celebration of Jerry's life will continue until 7:00 p.m. A private family burial will be held Antle Cemetery in Kellogg.


**Lodge Membership: Unit Lodge No. 520 Baxter, Iowa**

Degree – Initiated – EA 6/23/1993  
Degree – Passed – FC 7/14/1993  
Degree – Raised – MM 8/30/1993  
Past Master – 1996-1999 and 2006  
Secretary – 2008 – 2026  
Years of service since Raising 32.64 years

**York Rite Membership: Newton York Rite Bodies – Newton, Iowa**

Exalted a Royal Arch Mason 11/11/1995	Gebal Chapter No. 12 – Newton
Greeted a Royal and Select Master 11/11/1995	Malachi No. 55 – Newton
Knighted a Sir Knight 11/21/1995	Oriental No. 22 – Newton

Chivalric Regards,



Jason W. Delzell  
R.E. Grand Commander



Attested:



Scott A. Schabacker  
Grand Recorder