

*The E.J. Morine Council of Deliberation*

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*The Robert M. L. Walker State Grand Assembly*

Ernest Jasper Morine Council of Deliberation  
Robert M.L. Walker State Grand Assembly  
Ancient & Accepted Scottish Rite for the Thirty-Third and Last Degree of  
Freemasonry for the United States of America and its Jurisdiction,  
Prince Hall Affiliated

**TO:** Commanders-in-Chief, Sovereign Grand Inspectors General, Grand Inspectors General, Sublime Princes, Loyal Lady Rulers, and Loyal Ladies of the Golden Circle

**SUBJECT:** 2026 E.J. Morine Council of Deliberation and Robert M.L. Walker State Grand Assembly Annual Sessions

The E.J. Morine Council of Deliberation of the Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite for the Thirty-Third and Last Degree of Freemasonry, Prince Hall Affiliated, and the Robert M.L. Walker State Grand Assembly will convene April 23-25, 2026. The opening sessions will commence on Friday, April 24, 2026, at 9:00 a.m., at the following location:

**Embassy Suites Raleigh Crabtree  
4700 Creedmoor Road  
Raleigh, NC 27612  
919-881-0000**

**REGISTRATION:** Advance registration for the 2026 E.J. Morine Council of Deliberation and State Grand Assembly is \$125, which includes one banquet ticket. Additional banquet tickets are available at \$55 each.

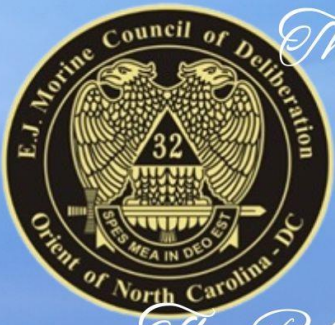
The deadline for advance registration is **April 1, 2026**. The registration fee **on or after April 2, 2026, is \$150.** **There will be no on-site registration.**

You can register online using the link below or complete the attached registration form and follow the instructions for submission.

**The conference registration link is:** <https://forms.gle/RyzaJLwSqqdvJ5JH6>

**HOTEL RESERVATIONS:** Attendees are responsible for making reservations at the Embassy Suites Raleigh Crabtree. Single and double rooms are available at a group rate of \$159.00 per night (1 King bedroom suite) plus \$13.25% tax, or \$179.00 per night (2 double beds, 1 bedroom suite) plus \$13.25% tax. Reservations require a debit or credit card and must be made by **Thursday, April 2, 2026, to secure the group rate.**

You can make your lodging arrangements by calling the hotel directly at 919-881-0000 with code: CES955 or by clicking the link below.



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The hotel reservation link is: <https://group.embassysuites.com/fvvi2g>

**SOUVENIR JOURNAL ADS:** Our Souvenir Journal will be digital. Ads are full-page only and are \$60.00 per ad. We request that all officers of the E.J. Morine COD and Robert M.L. Walker SGA purchase a full-page ad. SGIG and GIG fraters are **required** to purchase an ad. All members of the COD and SGA are encouraged to support the souvenir journal by purchasing an ad. Ads can be submitted online through the registration link or by mailing the attached ad form.

### **SUMMARY OF ACTIVITIES**

**TRAINING & EDUCATION:** Scottish Rite Training and Education will be conducted on Thursday, April 23, 2026, for the Council of Deliberation, featuring workshops on assorted topics of interest. The State Grand Assembly will also conduct Golden Circle training on selected topics of interest.

**COMMANDERS OF THE RITE:** The North Carolina Commanders of the Rite will meet on Thursday, April 23, 2026.

**OPENING SESSIONS:** Opening sessions for each body will be on **Friday, April 24, 2026, at 9:00 a.m.**

**JOINT AWARDS BANQUET:** Our annual joint awards banquet will be on Friday, April 25, 2026, at 7 pm. The attire for the banquet is as follows:

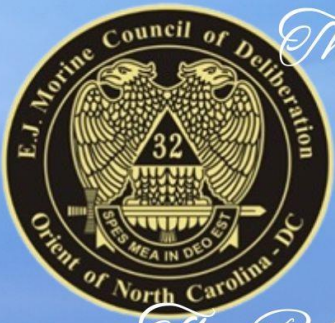
- SGIG: Black tails with white accessories or black tuxedo.
- GIG: Black tuxedo or black suit with white shirt, black tie.
- Loyal Ladies: Long White Dresses with white jewelry.
- Caps, Crowns, and collars are authorized to be worn.

**JOINT MEMORIAL SERVICE:** The Joint Memorial Service will be held on Saturday, April 26, at 9:00 a.m.

**NOMINATIONS FOR AWARDS:** Nominations for Council of Deliberation Awards must be submitted to the Illustrious Grand KSA before January 15, 2026.

Council of Deliberation awards nominations must be submitted to:

GIG Richard R. Peeler  
c/o E.J. Morine COD  
ATTN: COD AWARDS  
P.O. Box 1182  
Matthews, NC 28106



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**NOMINATIONS FOR THIRTY-THIRD DEGREE:** Must be submitted to the office of the Illustrious Grand KSA by 31 Jan 2026. Mail nominations to:

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c/o E.J. Morine COD  
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Thank you for your service and support of the Ernest Jasper Morine Jr., Council of Deliberation and the Robert M.L. Walker State Grand Assembly.