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Provincial Grand Lodge of Worcestershire

R.W.Bro. Richard George Hamilton Goddard MA. Provincial Grand Master

Dear Sir, Brother & Companion,

It is my very sad duty to inform you that after a long fight with Cancer W. Brother and E. Companion John Thornton Hart PAGDC, PGStB (RA) Passed to the Grand Lodge above on Tuesday 15th November.

John was born in Oxford 30th September 1936 and rapidly proved he was a scholar of note, obtaining a Master of Arts in Classics from Oxford. After completing his National Service John obtained a teaching post in Yorkshire and after a short time moved to Malvern College in 1963, where he eventually became Head Classics Master.

John's thirst for knowledge and facts was legendary and this bore fruit in 1975 when he became the Second winner and First Male winner of Mastermind.

John was initiated 27th October 1956 into Apollo University Lodge No. 357 in the Masonic Province of Oxfordshire; John was also a member of:

Old Malvernian Lodge No. 4363 Met. G. L. London
Fort Royal Lodge No. 4565 and Master in 1985
George Taylor Lodge No. 9819 Founder and First Master 2000

Exalted into St. Wulstan's R. A. Chapter No. 280 12th September 1979 MEZ in 1991
Worcestershire Installed First Principals R. A. Chapter No. 6839.

Worcestershire Provincial Grand Lodge

Appointed Provincial Senior Grand Deacon 1990
Promoted to Past Provincial Junior Grand Warden 1996
Promoted to Past Provincial Senior Grand Warden 2001
Received the Provincial Grand Master Certificate for 30 years service to Freemasonry
U.G.L.E.
Appointed Past Assistant Grand Director of Ceremonies 2004

Worcestershire Provincial Grand Chapter

Appointed Provincial Grand Organist 1983
Promoted to Past Provincial Grand Scribe, Jehemiah 1994
Promoted to Provincial Grand Joshua 1999
S.G.C.
Appointed Past Grand Standard Bearer 1999

Oxfordshire Provincial Grand Lodge

Appointed Past Provincial Senior Grand Deacon

John was also a Great Officer in Knights Templar.
Curator of the Worcestershire Library and Museum since 1997
And a musician of high quality

Our thoughts and prayers must go to his wife Sally and their four children.

The Cremation will be a private family occasion.

A Memorial Service will be held at Malvern College Chapel 2.30. pm. Friday 9th December. It is the expressed wish of John that NO black ties to be worn and NO dark suits.

Provincial Grand Secretary Michael H. R. Cole, **P.A.G.D.C.**

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