



“Our debt to the heroic men and valiant women in the service of our country can never be repaid. They have earned our undying gratitude. America will never forget their sacrifices.” – Harry S. Truman

Dear Masonic Service Association Supporters & Brothers,

Thanks to Brother Darrell Fremont, Grand Master of Masons in Iowa, for giving me the honor of writing this request for your support of the Masonic Service Association. As a Veteran of the U.S. Army and Iowa Army National Guard, I am honored to share a perspective of the impact of this program on Veterans of the U.S. Armed Forces and the organizations who serve and support them.



I will be forever grateful that my 17 year old self made the decision to enlist in the U.S. Army Reserve. I transferred to the Iowa Army National Guard when I became a commissioned officer, commanded Soldiers at the platoon, company, battalion, and brigade levels, worked as a staff officer in operations, human resources, facilities management, and military support to civil authorities. I deployed in 1991 as a platoon leader in support of Operation Desert Storm, in 2004-2005 as a battalion commander in support of Operation Iraqi Freedom, and in 2015-2016 as a Senior NATO Advisor in support of the Ministry of Kosovo Security Forces and Operation Joint Endeavor in Kosovo. During the course of my 33-year career I met and served with some of the most incredible people that I’ve ever known in my life. I’m beyond grateful that my service continues following retirement.

The Masonic Service Association does a wonderful job connecting with Veterans across our Country – supporting at some level the 163 State Veterans Homes, 170 VA Medical Centers, the 1,193 community-based outpatient clinics, and more than 9,100,000 Veterans enrolled in VA healthcare. Here in Iowa the Grand Master of Masons attended the Iowa Veterans Home’s Veterans Day program in 2023, greeted the 250+ attendees, delivered dozens of cases of rubber-soled “Bombas” brand socks, and presented a check for \$2,500 from the Masonic Service Association and the Masons of Iowa to support quality of life related initiatives, including entertainment, programming, trips, and purchases of clothing, snacks, and personal hygiene items requested by residents. Nationwide, MSA has 200 hospital visitation program representatives and deputies working with the CDCE offices in 35 states.

I am grateful to belong to this Fraternity since being raised to the Sublime Degree of a Master Mason on February 20, 1992 in Des Moines, Iowa. I have thoroughly enjoyed the shared values of military service and our Masonic brotherhood, both espousing values such as integrity, friendship, respect, and service before self. We have before us an opportunity to spread the impact of Masonry on others; please consider making a donation to give back to those who have served our Nation.

Respectfully,

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