# MASONIC BIOGRAPHY

Most Worshipful Prince Hall Grand Lodge Washington & Jurisdiction

# **RW GARY SMITH**

RW Gary Smith's, Masonic journey began when he petitioned Sons of Beaufort Lodge No. 36 in Beaufort, South Carolina working under the MWPHGL State of South Carolina in January 1995. He was initiated, Entered Apprentice, Passed to the Degree of Fellow Craft, and Raised to the Sublime degree of a Master Mason in that lodge in which he served as class President.

Other Masonic Affiliations include membership in the following Bodies:

In September 1996 RW Smith was Exalted a Holy Royal Arch Mason in Antioch Chapter No. 90.

In May 1997, RW Smith was elevated to the 32nd Degree, Sublime Prince of the Royal Secret, in Craddle Simmons Consistory No. 360, Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite (A.A.S.R.) Freemasonry, Prince Hall Affiliated (PHA) Southern Jurisdiction, Inc. serving within the U.S. Armed Forces RW Smith transferred over to the Northern Jurisdiction as his military assignment took him into the Northern Jurisdiction and has made a home within the Northern Jurisdiction. RW Smith is a current member of John J Story Consistory No. 111 Valley of Mainland Japan, Orient of Far East Ancient and Accepted Scottish Rite (A.A.S.R.) Freemasonry, Prince Hall Affiliated (PHA) Northern Jurisdiction, Inc.

In September 2002, RW Smith was created a Noble into Obelisk Temple No.187, Ancient Egyptian Arabic Order Nobles of The Mystic Shrine (A.E.A.O.N.M.S.)

Appointed Senior Deacon - Sons of Beaufort Lodge No.36 - 1995

Elected Junior Warden - Sons of Beaufort Lodge No. 36 - 1997

Elected Senior Warden - Sons of Beaufort Lodge No. 36 - 1998

Appointed Worshipful Master - Sons of Beaufort Lodge No.36 - 1998

Appointed District Lecture - District No.7 MWPHGL State of Washington 2003

Elected Worshipful Master - Okinawa Military Lodge No.68 - December 2003

Appointed Assistant District Deputy Grand Master – District No.7 - December 2004 Appointed District Deputy Grand Master- District No. 7 July 2005 Appointed Grand Lodge Trainer Far East Districts 6, 7, 8, 10, &12 July 2006

### **Scottish Rite Freemasonry**

Craddle Simmons Consistory No.360

Keystone Consistory No. 85

Member John J Story Consistory No. 111

Elevated Grand Inspector General 22 May 2019 (Philadelphia, PA)

USC Department Head Consistory Education 2021

Secretary Supreme Council Benevolence Foundation 2025

# Holy Royal Arch Masonry

Member of Antioch Chapter No. 90 -Varnville, South Carolina Member of Sylvester Pappy Cann No.11 Okinawa, Japan

### ANCIENT EGYPTIAN ARABIC ORDER NOBLES MYSTIC SHRINE

Appointed First Ceremonial Master - 2002

Elected High Priest and Prophet - 2003

Elected Chief Rabban - 2004

Elected Desert Assistant Rabban Desert Conference 2004

Elected Illustrious Potentate Obelisk Temple No 187 - December 2005

#### ORDER OF THE EASTERN STAR

Initiated Electa Chapter No. 25 MWPHGC of WA-2004

Elected Associate Patron - December 2004

#### **Masonic Accolades:**

Master Mason of the Qtr - Sons of Beaufort Lodge No.36

Grand Lodge Proficiency and Excellence Award Winner- MWPHGLWA 2003

Worshipful Master of the Year 2004- MWPHGL State of Washington and Jurisdiction

Far East District Session (FEDS) Lodge of Year 2004- MWPHGL State of Washington and Jurisdiction

RW Smith attributes his success to his wife Yolonda Smith for her true support, his Daughter's Morgan, Tia and Jazmine and Son Gary II for their undying love and most importantly his belief in God and men like his father, David Smith, who provided a stalwart example of a Prince Hall Mason, Past Master's Ronald I. Sloan & Samuel Platt who has etched Masonry in his heart from the beginning of his Masonic journey.