

Most Excellent Companion Hugh Ross
Grand First Principal 1996 - 1997



BIOGRAPHY

M. Ex. Companion Hugh Ross was born October 18, 1922 in West Kildonan. The second child of James and Helen Ross. His sister, Dorothy Embree lives in Brandon.

Hugh received his education in Cypress River. He then went to the University of Manitoba, receiving his diploma in agriculture in 1942.

He farmed with his father, buying half of the farm in 1961 and the other half in 1971, as his father retired. Then continued to farm until 1978. He then retired, but still lives on the farm.

On December 27, 1975 Hugh married Myrtle Cook (nee Chapman). Myrtle has four children, Terry Cook, Barbara Brown and Bill Cook of Brandon and Ellen Stevens of Winnipeg. There are also nine grandchildren.

Masonic History

Cypress Lodge #82:

Initiated

February 19th, 1954

Passed

March 22nd, 1954

	Raised	April 26 th , 1954
	Worshipful Master	1962-71 -72-73-74
	D.D.G.M.	1965-66
Cypress Lodge #82 amalgamated with Glenboro Lodge #48 in 1974		
	Worshipful Master	1988
Royal Arch Masons:	Received	1963
	First Principal	1967, 1968, 1978
	Grand Superintendent	1969
	Grand Treasurer	1982 - 1992
	Grand J	1994
	Grand H	1995
	Grand Z	1996
Order of the High Priesthood	Joined	1982
	President	1989
Knights Templar	Brandon Preceptory # 74	1973
	Preceptor (presiding)	1980
AAONMS	Joined	1973
	Past Master Club President	1985
	Brandon Shrine Club	1974
	Pembina Shrine Club	1991
Cryptic Masonry	Initiated Brandon Council # 10	1975
	TIM	1983
	Order of the Silver Trowel	1984
	Grand Steward MB	1988
	GIG	1992
Royal Ark Mariners		
	Commander Noah	1984
York Rite Sovereign College		
	Charter member of Manitoba College	1984
	Governor	1987
	Order of the Purple Cross	1989
	Grand Governor	1992 - 1996
Allied Masonic Degrees:	Keystone Council #172, Wpg	1989
	Westman Council #216	1992
	(Brandon Charter Member)	
	Sovereign Master •	1995
Red Cross of Constantine:	Selkirk Conclave #6	1983

	Grand Valley Conclave #36	1993
	(Charter Member)	
	M. P. Sovereign	1993-94
	Grand Executive	1995
Order of the Eastern Star:	Pelican Lake Chapter #62	1982
	Worthy Patron	1988-89-93-95
White Shrine of Jerusalem:	Galilee Shrine #1 Brandon (in darkness)	1989
	Watchman of Shepherds	1993
	Althea Shrine #2	1994