



THE HISTORY OF MAINE IN THE KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

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Chapter FORTY-NINE: William L. Carney 1982– 1984 Augusta

Our 43rd State Deputy was born in Gardiner, Maine on September 15, 1939. Bill is the son of William and Hazel Carney and is the oldest of five children. He was educated in Augusta, attending St. Mary's Catholic school and then Cony High School. He joined the Navy and then the Navy reserves and was later employed by the State Department of Transportation. Bill retired from the DET in 1995. William Carney married Carlene and they have five children. Three girls: Mary-Ann, Debra, Linda, and two boys, Michael and Donald.

Bill joined the Knights of Columbus Council, #334 of Augusta, in 1968. He served his council as Warden, Treasurer, Financial Secretary, Deputy Grand Knight and finally as Grand Knight. On the state level, he served as District Deputy under Tommy St. Louis and Church Director under Charles Beaudoin. He was elected State Warden in 1977 under George Riddle, State Treasurer in 1978 under George Cyr, State Secretary under Dick Blanchard in 1980 and finally State Deputy in 1982.

Much State activity took place under Bill's term as State Deputy. Council #7920 in St. Agatha was formed on December 26, 1982. Council #8144 was formed in So. Portland on June 6, 1982. Council #8414 in Grand Isle on June 13, 1983. Council #8729 in Eagle Lake on June 1, 1984 and finally Council #8742 in Auburn on June 19, 1984. This is quite a record for new council development for his two year term.

Bill and Carlene currently live in Winslow and Bill remains very active knight and is his council's Financial Secretary. Bill and Carlene can usually be seen at the State Winter meeting and at the State Convention. He is a fine example of a proud brother knight who continues to serve his council and the state council with distinction.

FOURTH DEGREE MASTER #10: Robert Ouellette 1955-84 Brunswick

Following his three terms as State Deputy from 1952 to 1955, Robert J. Ouellette was appointed as District Master and served in that office from 1955 to 1984. This was a total of 29 years as District Master of Maine.

STATE CHAPLAIN 1967 TO 1987: Rev. Antonio A. Gosselin

**Bishop of the Portland Diocese: Most Rev. Bishop Edward
Cornelius O'Leary D.D. 1974 to 1988**

State Convention for 1982 was held in Rockport (Treadway Samoset) May 28-29-30, 1982

State Convention for 1983 was held in Rockport (Treadway Samoset) May 27-28-29, 1983

State Convention for 1984 was held in Rockport (Treadway Samoset) May 25-26-27, 1984