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## TRIBUTE TO FREE MASONS

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Founded in 1717

With brotherhood as their aim.

A group of men in England met

And chose Free Masonry for their name.

Clothed in an air of mystery

They answered the Country's call.

For leadership in the world

Of men who gave their all.

Founded on the Holy Bible,

They wanted to rehearse,

For they knew that only God was

"The Great Architect of the Universe".

Masonry continued to spread,

Encompassing all the land,

Great men like Benjamin Franklin and George Washington

Caused them to expand.

When the United States Capitol was built

In Washington, D. C.

George Washington wore his Masonic Apron

For all the world to see.

The insignia of this fraternity

Is the Compasses and the Square.

And these are worn proudly

By Masons everywhere.

One out of every twelve males

In America today

Belong to the Masonic Lodge.

We are proud to say.

Lodge #
Is years old,
Founded in(year)
Our freedom to uphold.
So tonight we pay a special tribute,
Not just to all of you,
But to the Masons in America
That honor the Red, White and Blue.

God bless you!