

1980 Life Members Ceremony

Sung to the tune of "He Leadeth Me"

O golden members we are here
To honor you for 50 years.
The Eastern Star is mighty glad
You're special friends that we have had.
You are the backbone of our Star.
We've come to love you near or far.
O Lifetime Members we are here
To sing you special words of cheer.

Today we have the privilege of bestowing a very special honor on those sisters and Brothers who are members of a very select group, individuals who have been members of our beautiful order for 50 years or more and thus are Life members of the Order of the Eastern Star. We are indebted to you for more than time will allow us to tell. But most important is the heritage which you have left for us on which to continue to build. You learned and exemplified the lessons of the Heroines of our Order very well. The fidelity of Adah, the constancy of Ruth, Esther's loyalty, Martha's faith, and above all, the eternal love of Electa.

It is a beautiful time at the end of the day,
Ere the sun goeth down in the West,
To think of the deeds we have done on the way,
And the hearts we have really blest;

We never regret for the kindnesses we show
The weary ones bearing their loads.
The good we have done is God's afterglow
Forever shining at the end of the road.

Life members, it is a pleasure to welcome you. We congratulate each one of you for devoting fifty or more years of your life to our beautiful Order. You have maintained your membership down through the years and for this have received the coveted award of "Life Membership". We are indebted to you for the heritage we all enjoy.

You're 50 years and going strong.
You've got lots of pep and joy and song.
Now we thank you one and all
For being here, we've had a ball,
With you here on this date
You've made this day just great.

