William "Harold" Collum, Jr.

TAMDA President 2008-2009

William "Harold" Collum Jr. exemplified the principles of Freemasonry throughout his 25-year Masonic journey. On October 2, 1999, he was initiated into the sacred Masonic fraternity. From that moment onward, he embraced the teachings of Freemasonry with unwavering commitment. His journey through the craft was marked by a profound sense of duty, humility, and a genuine desire to contribute to the betterment of society.

Harold was a 33rd-degree Scottish Rite Mason and member of the Knights of St. Andrew. He was the Past Worshipful Master of Northern Star No. 377, Tannehill No. 52, and Sam P. Cochran No. 1335 lodges and was a member of Knox-Corinthian No. 851 in Dallas and Valley-Daylight Lodge #511 in Louisville, Kentucky. Harold was the Past Commander of Alexander C. Garrett Commandery and Past Governor of the North Texas York Rite College. He was also a member of Taylor Commandery # 85 in Kaufman, Texas.

Most notably, in 2013, Harold was awarded the Golden Trowel award by Northern Star Lodge for his significant contributions to masonry. His wisdom and leadership made him a beacon of inspiration for all who sought guidance within Masonry.

Beyond the Masonic community, Harold's legacy extended far beyond the lodge walls. Throughout his career, he was a successful entrepreneur, commissioned by Governor Rick Perry as an Admiral in the Texas Navy, and a mentor to dozens of young professionals, guiding them to accomplish remarkable goals. Known for his unwavering positivity, his career took him around the globe and to the forefront of cybersecurity.

During Harold's early years in the music business, he represented numerous recording artists, launching many successful careers. During that time, he discovered a passion for collecting vintage record albums, rare masonic books, and fine art. His appreciation for fine art culminated in the ownership of The Florence Gallery in Dallas, Texas. Later in his career, he made his mark in Information Technology as the Founder and CSO of BlackSwan Cyber Security, Founder and Executive Director of Cyber Future Foundation, RIM Council Member at Ponemon Institute, and Chairman of US Data Mining.

Harold's life was marked by his immensely positive influence on the people and the world around him.