



## **HONORARY MEMBERSHIP**

### ***In Tau Kappa Epsilon Fraternity***

#### ***What is Honorary Membership?***

Honorary Membership is a means of extending the privilege of membership in Tau Kappa Epsilon upon men of “sterling character and staunch uprightness” who are not enrolled as students at a campus where TKE has an active chapter or colony. Honorary Members enjoy all the rights afforded alumni members of the chapter into which they are initiated.

#### ***Why would my chapter want to initiate Honorary Members?***

Honorary Membership is an expression of appreciation for the outstanding service of men who are presently unaffiliated with our Fraternity. Formal inclusion of such men into the brotherhood of TKE often draws them into a closer relationship with the initiating chapter, and can lead to a lifetime of commitment to our principles and values.

Some chapters have invited the fathers of Fraters to be initiated as Honorary Members, thereby strengthening the Fraternity’s ties with that family. Many chapters have built strong bases of alumni influence and support by inviting outstanding men in their community to accept Honorary Membership.

Many past Honorary Members have also rendered significant volunteer service to the International Fraternity, earning positions of responsibility and rising to the highest ranks of our Fraternity’s leadership.

#### ***Who is eligible for Honorary Membership?***

Provided they are not collegiate students or members of another inter/national social fraternity, men fitting into the following categories are eligible for Honorary Membership in TKE:

- Men that are of solid moral character who are outstanding members of the local community
- Male members of the faculty of the institution where the chapter making the nomination is located
- Men who have rendered or are rendering important service to the institution, community, state or nation
- Men who have rendered or are rendering important service to the chapter
- Fathers of initiated members of the chapter
- Men who are alumni of a local fraternity which has been installed as a chapter of Tau Kappa Epsilon

#### ***What are the procedures for initiating Honorary Members?***

Honorary Members must be initiated in accordance with the provisions set forth in the International Constitution of Tau Kappa Epsilon. Chapters must first gain approval from the Fraternity’s Chief Executive Officer prior to initiating an Honorary Member. This form, along with a nomination from the chapter and the Honorary Membership fee should be sent to the Offices of the Grand Chapter. Nominations should provide a justification of the man’s eligibility for Honorary Membership.

To enhance the prestige of this true honor, it’s natural that the chapter or an individual Frater will want to cover the initiation fee of the new Honorary Member. The initiation fee has been established at a level significantly lower than that which applies to regular membership. Since Honorary Members are not counted as active members of the chapter, it is not necessary for them to pay Annual Membership fees or Risk Management Insurance fees at any point forward.

#### ***Notable Honorary Members:***

- Sophus Goth, William Reeve, Ralph Williams – each served as TKE Grand Prytanis (International President)
- Mike Huckabee, Former Governor of Arkansas
- Roy Jones, Jr. – World Champion Boxer
- Elvis A. Presley - Entertainer
- Danny Thomas - Entertainer, Philanthropist

# TKE HONORARY MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Please complete and return this form to the Offices of the Grand Chapter *prior* to the initiation of the Honorary Member for approval by the TKE Chief Executive Officer. Once the initiation has been approved and confirmed, notification will be given to the Prytanis of the sponsoring chapter.

**Chapter:** \_\_\_\_\_ **College/University:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Prytanis:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Phone:** \_\_\_\_\_

**E-Mail Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Please provide the following information about the Honorary Member.** Please type or print clearly, as this information will be recorded in the Fraternity's membership rolls, as well as being printed on their membership certificate.

<b>Full Name</b>	
<b>Scroll #</b>	
<b>Planned Date of Initiation</b>	
<b>Address</b>	
<b>City/State/Zip</b>	
<b>Home Phone</b>	
<b>Work Phone</b>	
<b>E-Mail Address</b>	
<b>Date of Birth</b>	
<b>SSN #</b>	
<b>College Attended</b>	
<b>Organizations</b>	

By completing and returning this application, I certify that the above information is accurate, and that the Honorary Member will be duly and regularly initiated into the Bond of Tau Kappa Epsilon Fraternity. I further certify that the Honorary Member is not a collegiate student at our campus, is not a member of another inter/national social fraternity and is of good moral character.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Prytanis

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**HONORARY MEMBER INITIATION FEE - \$ 200.00**

**LIFE LOYAL TEKE - \$495**

*Select Payment Method (check one):*

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