

Basic Detail Report

Masonic wall piece

Date

1967

Primary Maker

James Thompson

Medium

wood, plastic, photograph, paint

Description

This Masonic frame holds an original photographic portrait, presumably of either the maker or the recipient of the gift: brothers James Thompson (the maker) or his brother Vernon L. Thompson. The inscription on the back of the frame reads: “Made by James Thompson, for wonderful Brother Vernon L. Thompson, Nov. 1967, Prov. 3-6, 162 pieces wood, 272 pieces plastic.” The wood and plastic pieces are either inlaid or applied to the surface of the frame, and include Freemasonry symbols and abbreviations, such as “WSB” (Wisdom, Strength, Beauty), “AFAM” (Ancient Free and Accepted Masons), and “MW” (Most Worshipful). The general shape of the frame is the form of the square and compass, and the “G” at center.

Dimensions

37 3/16 × 28 15/16 × 1 3/4 in. (94.5 × 73.5 × 4.5 cm)