

Honorary Pallbearers

South Carolina Senate
South Carolina House of Representatives
South Carolina Legislative Black Caucus
Joint Service Detachment-National Guard
HUMS
The Carolina Classic Car Club
The Midlands Cruisers
Mr. Nathaniel Dawson (Nate)
Dr. Pierre Barakat
Mr. Dennis Sumpter
Mr. Ed Miller
Mr. Joey Preston

Active Pallbearers

Deacons of New Ebenezer Baptist Church

Floral Bearers

Deaconesses and Missionaries of New Ebenezer Baptist Church
Columbia Chapter of CHUMS

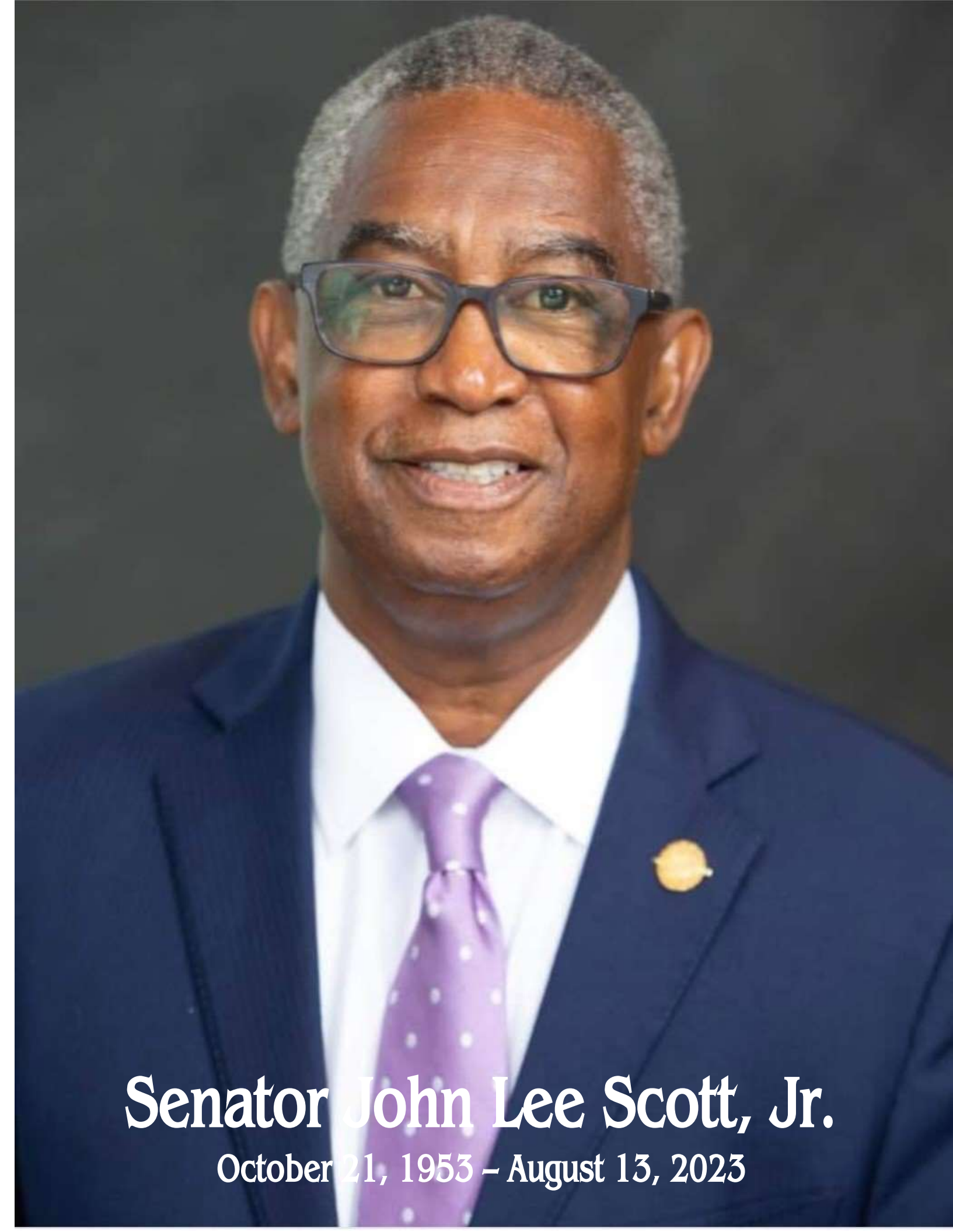
Acknowledgement

We, the family of the Honorable Senator John L. Scott, Jr., would like to thank everyone for their acts of kindness rendered to our family during this difficult time. To Reverend Dr. Michael Ross and the New Ebenezer Baptist Church family, Pastor Darrell Jackson and the Bible Way Church of Atlas Road, Governor Henry McMaster, colleagues in the South Carolina General Assembly, and the South Carolina Honor Guard, your expressions and acts of kindness have comforted us, your support has strengthened us, and your love has sustained us.

We would like to express our deepest gratitude and special thanks to MUSC Cardiovascular Unit: Bri, Jesse, Jake, Stephanie, and Kala. As well, we are grateful for the kindness of Dr. Cole, Sissy, Quentin, and Mark.

Services Entrusted To:

Taylor Street Chapel 1831 Taylor Street Columbia, SC 29201 (803)771-7799 I. S. Leevy Johnson -Owner & Director-	Leevy's FUNERAL HOME Chris Leevy Johnson -President & Managing Director-	Lower Richland Chapel 9120 Garners Ferry Road Hopkins, SC 29061 (803) 776-6922 Leverette A. Williams, II -General Manager-
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Senator John Lee Scott, Jr.
October 21, 1953 – August 13, 2023



Senator John L. Scott, Jr.

Serving the 19th Senate District since 2008, Senator Scott's focus has been promoting economic development, improving internet access, HBCUs, Fiscal Policy, fixing the State's crumbling infrastructure, supporting veterans and promoting workforce development through Science, Technology, Engineering and Math (STEM) programs. His service to South Carolina spans for 32 years and prior to being elected to the South Carolina General Assembly, he served on the Richland County Council as its Vice-Chair for 2 years. In 1990, he was elected to the House of Representatives and served for 18 years before being elected as a State Senator in 2008. As Senator, he was a member of the Senate Finance Committee, the Labor Commerce and Industry Committee, the Rules, and the Medical Affairs Committee.

While serving in the House of Representatives, he championed legislation for the new voting system, the state-run lottery, and the early voting process. He participated in the District's Reapportionment Process during his tenure in both the House and the Senate. After joining the Senate, he worked, successfully, to pass a bill to repair and rebuild the State's crumbling roads and bridges and to make them safer for all South Carolinians. Being a strong proponent for education, he led the fight in securing funding for deteriorating buildings for K-12 Education, worked to secure \$15M loan for South Carolina State University and fought and secured the first \$1M H.E.E.P. funding for South Carolina's HBCUs.

Senator Scott has served on several boards and received numerous awards and recognitions. To mention, in 2002, he was awarded South Carolina's Highest Civilian Honor, The Order of the Palmetto. Other awards included: the Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Drum Major for Justice Award, 2008, Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Humanitarian Award, 2009, Keeper of the Flame Award, 2016, named Legislative Champion of South Carolina's Independent Colleges and Universities, 2017, S.C. Legislative Black Caucus Ernest Finney Chairman Award, 2018. He received a Doctorate of Humane Letters, from Clinton College in 2018. He, also, received the Presidential Service Award in 2019. In 2019, he was chosen by the members of South Carolina's Democratic Caucus to give the Democratic Response to the State of the State Address by Governor Henry McMaster.

Well Done!!!

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In 2020, he received an Honorary Doctorate of Public Service from South Carolina State University and in 2020, he received the "Allen University Richard Allen Award."

In 2021, Senator Scott's vision came to fruition with the launching of South Carolina Institutes of Innovation, when he, successfully, secured an appropriation of \$18 million dollars for South Carolina's seven HBCU's to assist them in developing innovative programs and partnerships with the local and state businesses and industries.

In 2022, he was recognized by HBCU Times magazine for revolutionizing South Carolina's History of Black Colleges and Universities through the South Carolina Institutes of Innovation and Information. He was named among Columbia's Business Weekly as one of "Columbia's 50 Most Influential for Outstanding Contributions to the Greater Columbia Community." In 2022, he was inducted into the C.A. Johnson High School Wall of Fame. Most recently he received the Anderson County SC Democratic Party Living Legend Award and was recognized as the Manufactured Housing Institute Legislator of South Carolina.

Senator Scott served on the Advisory Board for the Midlands Coalition of Churches, a non-profit organization made up non-denominational churches both county and statewide.

He contributed to several community projects and made periodic donations to their fundraisers. He organized and developed a food distribution program that served over three-thousand people locally during COVID and this effort also included the Greenville, SC area.

He holds a Bachelor of Science degree, with a Minor in Economics from South Carolina State University, Doctorate of Humane Letters from Clinton College, and was a graduate of the Diversity Leadership Academy at the Richard E. Riley Institute at Furman University. Senator Scott, proudly, retired as Major General from the South Carolina Military Department Joint Service Detachment in 2019; and was a member of Omega Psi Phi Fraternity, Inc. among several other professional organizations.

He became a member of the New Ebenezer Baptist Church at a very early age. He served in numerous capacities on several ministries over the years. He was a Trustee for twenty years and served as an Ordained Deacon since 2005. Deacon John L. Scott, Jr. served New Ebenezer in monumental ways, and he was instrumental in the church's acquisition of over 100 acres of land and positioned the church to continue its legacy.

Senator Scott is Founder/Owner and Broker in Charge of J.L. Scott Realty Company, Inc. and is Co-Owner of the C & S Consulting Group, Inc. along with his wife, Joan. Senator Scott was a car enthusiast who shared a passion with lovers of vintage and classic cars and was a member of the Carolina Car Club and the Midlands Cruisers. He loved his Jack Russell Terrier, MAXX!! Senator Scott loved his neighbors and believed in living peaceably with everyone.

Senator John L. Scott, Jr. is survived by: his loving wife, Joan; son, John L. Scott, III; his mother, Gracie Scott; godson, Clifford Parr; goddaughter, Gabriel Govan; siblings, Alma Berry, Dr. Mable Scott, Linda (David) Marshall, Stanley (Saundra) Scott, all of Columbia, Craig (Ardella) Scott, of Charlotte, NC, Michael (Victoria) Smith, Marcella Wright, Vertelle, Tyrone (Mary) Gibbs, and Symone Scott, all of Columbia; nieces, nephews, cousins, a host of loving relatives and friends, all of whom miss him dearly.

Celebration of Life

Saturday, August 19, 2023, 11:00 a.m.

Bible Way Church of Atlas Road, Columbia, South Carolina, Pastor Darrell Jackson, Senior Pastor
Officiant: Reverend Dr. Michael Ross, Pastor, New Ebenezer Baptist Church, Columbia, South Carolina



Prelude
 Processional
 Invocation.....Reverend Dr. Michael Ross
 Opening Hymn“What A Friend We Have In Jesus”.....The Congregation
 Old TestamentReverend Faye Daniels
 Associate Minister, New Ebenezer Baptist Church
 New TestamentElder Luther H. Holmes
 Pastor, Ecclesia Church of God In Christ
 Prayer of Comfort.....Bishop Eric Davis
 Word of God Church and Ministries International
 Musical Selection.....“Safe In His Arms”.....The Bible Way Choir
 Tributes:
 The Honorable Thomas Alexander, *Senate President*
 Senator Gerald Malloy, *District 29*
 Linda Marshall, *Sister*
 The Honorable Jerry Govan, *Former Representative*
 Representative Leon Howard, *District 76*
 Richland County Councilwoman Gretchen Barron
 Ms. Marguerite Willis
 Deacon Curtis Frye
 Musical Selection.....“His Eye Is On The Sparrow”The Bible Way Choir
 AcknowledgementsMs. Stephanie Plummer
 The Eulogy.....Reverend Dr. Michael Ross
 Musical Tribute.....“Amazing Grace” Mr. Willie Bradley, *Trumpeter*
 Recessional
 Postlude

Committal, Benediction, and Entombment

Memorial Gardens of Columbia
9301 Wilson Boulevard
Columbia, South Carolina

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