

## Ray Scott

November 1, 1929 - August 2, 2021

Ray Scott passed away peacefully on August 2nd, 2021 in St. Bernard's Hospice Care after living an extraordinary life of 91 years. He was born on November 1st, 1929 in Fontaine, Arkansas.

On August 30, 1952, Ray married Laveda Songer Scott. They were married almost 69 years. They are survived by two daughters, Cathy Holman (Rick) and Cindy Logan (Scott);

three grandchildren: Kelli Cochran (Jason), Katie Potter, Chris Logan (Hannah); and

three great grandchildren: Caden and Claire Cochran and Ella Grace Potter

Ray is preceded in death by parents, Tom and Mary Elizabeth; brothers, Caraway Scott, Thomas Scott, Larry Scott, Joe Scott, Floyd Scott, Lloyd Scott, Bill Scott; and his sisters, Lena Childers and Nora Thompson.

Ray had a passion for basketball, and he was blessed with talent and a hard work ethic. He played basketball at Leachville High School where he was honored with an all-state award, and he continued to play while attending Arkansas State University for four years.

Ray was drafted by the Detroit Pistons but instead was drafted into the Air Force during the Korean War. He played basketball on the Air Force team

where he received the Air Force Great Plains Award and was recognized as the top player for four years in a row. After the Korean War, he was drafted by the Lakers, but since he had developed a lung disease, he was not eligible to play.

He received the Neil Martin Gibson Victory Trophy Award, which is an award given to one independent basketball player for the whole state of Arkansas and was named the top amateur athlete in Arkansas. He received this award when he was coaching in Luxora.

His love of basketball allowed him to further impact others through coaching at Luxora, being Athletic Director at the Boys and Girls Club in Little Rock, and coaching at Union City TN, Valdosta, GA, Bay, Westside, Greene County Tech, Hoxie, and Walnut Ridge. His legacy of basketball lives on in the lives of many. Not only was he an amazing athlete and coach, but he was an incredible husband, father, grandfather, and great grandfather. He was also an inspiration to others as a Christian man. We are saddened by his loss but know that there was a beautiful reunion in heaven with family members who preceded him and with his Heavenly Father.

Funeral Service will be Thursday, August 5, 2021 at 11 A.M. in the Bryan Chapel with Rev. Beth Perdue officiating. Pallbearers will be Jason Cochran, Ricky Holman, John, Randy, Wesley and Mike Scott. Honorary Pallbearers are all of Coach Scott's former Basketball players. Interment will follow in the Lorado Cemetery.

Visitation will be from 10 A.M. till 11 A.M. Thursday.

Family request face masks and social distancing to be worn during the services.



# Cemetery Details

## Lorado Cemetery

Lorado Cemetery  
Lorado, AR 72476

# Previous Events

## Visitation

AUG 5. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

Bryan Funeral Home  
415 NW Texas St.  
Hoxie, AR 72433

## Funeral Service

AUG 5. 11:00 AM (CT)

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415 NW Texas St.  
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# Tribute Wall



“ *Ray Scott*

January 29, 2023 at 08:29 AM



“ *I'm so sorry for your loss. Coach Scott and my Jim (James) must be having a great reunion in Heaven. It was so much fun to watch them reminisce when we visited in AR. Jim loved him so much, and often spoke very fondly of him. They had many wonderful times together in Luxora and later golfing in Jonesboro. Only God knew that they would pass away just 8 months apart. Your family will be in my prayers as you grieve the loss of this special man. ❤️*

*Much love,  
Beth Pitts*



**Beth Pitts** - August 10, 2021 at 11:55 PM



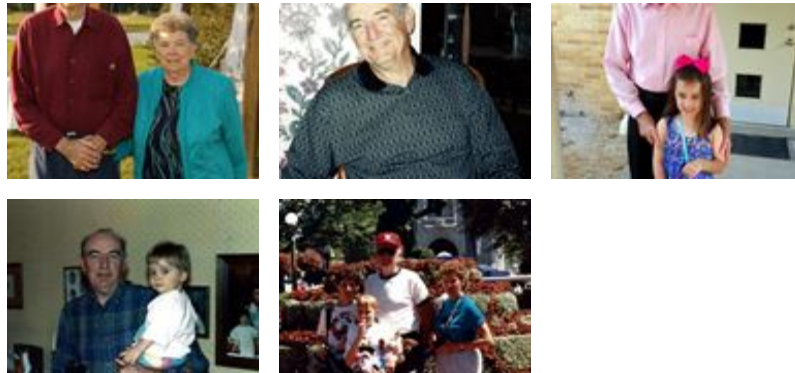
“ *Full Of Love Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ray Scott.*



August 05, 2021 at 09:29 AM



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Bryan Funeral Home - August 04, 2021 at 11:43 PM

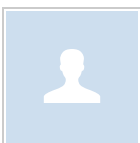
BP

“ Deb and I loved our visits to Cindy & Scott's house. Not only did we enjoy being entertained by little Katie & Chris but also getting to see Daddy & Momma. Those were wonderful times. Ray was always interesting to talk to and loved his sports & golf. We were always made to feel like family. It was an honor knowing him. My condolences to the entire family. He will sadly be missed by all.

Fondly,

Bill Patrick

Bill Patrick - August 04, 2021 at 05:03 PM



“ Florist Choice Bouquet was purchased for the family of Ray Scott.



August 04, 2021 at 02:16 PM

JW

“ Blessings of happy memories Mrs. Scott, Cathy, Cindy and family 🙏  
🌺🙏 Lester and Jennifer Wilson

jennifer wilson - August 03, 2021 at 09:46 PM

JR

“ I am saddened at the passing of Ray "Coach" Scott. I was fortunate to attend church with them and shared time with them both in Sunday School and at our Wednesday night potlucks. He was such a pleasant person to be around with his caring personality. He never failed to ask about my grandson who played for him when he coached at Walnut Ridge, asking how he was doing and talking about games they shared as coach and player. He and Laveda were a special couple valued by many. I have missed our contact during the pandemic months. My prayers and love will be with all of the family as they mourn his passing. Ray will be missed by all.  
Joyce Rose

Joyce Rose - August 03, 2021 at 06:13 PM

MS

“ Prayers and condolences for the family of Coach Scott. Marty Spurlock

Marty Spurlock - August 03, 2021 at 05:35 PM

DO

“ Cathy, I'm so sorry to hear of Coach Scott's passing. You and all your family are in my prayers

Debbie Coomer Ozbun - August 03, 2021 at 05:25 PM



“ *Fairest of All was purchased for the family of Ray Scott.*



August 03, 2021 at 05:01 PM



“ *Cathy and family I am sorry to hear about Coach Scott's passing. Susan wells Fitzgerald*

**susan wells fitzgerald** - August 03, 2021 at 04:57 PM



*Rest in Peace Coach Scott... many prayers and wonderful memories. Love, #20 Donna Clark*

**Donna Clark** - August 03, 2021 at 09:45 PM



*Oh..... those drills he loved to make us run!!!!. He was a wonderful Coach. Cared and Loved all us girls. Prayers to the Family. Kim Abshure Yates*

**Kim Yaets** - August 04, 2021 at 09:38 AM



*I am so sorry to hear of Coach Scott's passing. My family had the privilege of knowing Coach Scott first as Chris's grandpa, then as coach to my sons, and always as a friend. He was a wonderful, caring man and will be missed by our family.*

**Sloane Kelley** - August 04, 2021 at 11:18 AM