



Herbert A. Scott Jr.

May 29, 1947 - December 31, 2025

Herbert Allen Scott, Jr., age 78, passed away on December 31, 2025, in Canton, Michigan. Born May 29, 1947, in Auburn, New York, Herb spent his early years in Waterloo, where he helped his family in the funeral business. In 1961, he moved to Holly, Michigan, to attend Adelpian Academy, where he met lifelong friends Gary Mathis and Richard Breakie, both of whom preceded him in death.

Herb began his sales career selling luggage at Harrison Luggage and and Leather goods After a brief time selling luggage, Herb found his niche in pharmaceutical sales and in 1974 he landed with Michigan Pharmaceutical. Here he spent the remainder of his career with 47 years of dedication to the company.. During this time Herb rose to become Vice President of Sales at what is now The Harvard Drug Group, retiring in 2018. Here he also built life long friendships he cherished. In 1967, he met Marilyn Rinaldo, and they married in 1968, having two daughters, Jennifer and Heather. Though that marriage ended, they remained friends until his passing. In 1982, he married Olivia Lehr, gaining more daughters, Lynn and Gina. They shared a beautiful 43-year marriage full of travel, mission trips, charity events, sports, community outreach, art collecting and family memories.

In 1974, Herb moved his family to Canton, recognizing the potential of the small community. Over 52 years, he watched it grow, becoming a pillar of civic

life and took great pride in becoming a beloved part of the community. Some of his most cherished accomplishments include leading the Canton Arts Foundation board, serving as president of Western Wayne Habitat for Humanity, participating in the Lions Club, and being a founding member of the Fallen and Wounded Soldiers Foundation. Herb generously gave his time to numerous community board committees, always committed to making a difference. He also helped organize the Village Arts Factory and was inducted into the Canton Hall of Fame in 2015.

Herb was a faithful member of the Plymouth Seventh-Day Adventist Church, serving as elder as well as holding positions on the church and school board, and he and Olivia embarked on more than 10 mission trips. A passionate sports fan, In the 1980's, Herb competed in the national touch football championship. Throughout his life he participated in many basketball and softball leagues. He continued playing softball in two separate leagues until summer of 2024. Herb's love for sports included watching and cheering on Detroit teams and his all-time favorite Syracuse teams.

Herb is preceded in death by his parents, Herbert Scott, Sr., and Lucille Scott. He is survived by his beloved wife, Olivia; daughters Jennifer Scott, Heather (Chris) Anderzak, Lynn (John) Rodriguez, and Gina (Scott) Hudecek; grandchildren Alexandra (Cody) Fredericks,, Jacob Hudecek, Johnny Rodriguez, Trevor Hudecek, Caleb Cata, Riley Kearney; great-grandson Jack Fredericks; sister Elota Nicholson; niece Natasha (Frank) Bjerre; Nephew Theron Nicholson and great-nephew Emil Bjerre . His legacy of love, service, and leadership will forever be remembered by all who knew him.

Memorial Gathering will be held Saturday, June 6th from 1 PM - 9 PM at Vermeulen-Sajewski Funeral Home, 46401 Ann Arbor Road West (between Sheldon and Beck) Plymouth.

Memorial Service will take place Sunday, June 7th at 12 PM also at the funeral home.

In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made to the Herb and Olivia Scott Fund in support of The Fallen and Wounded Soldiers Fund, continuing Herb's legacy of caring for those who served. Donations can be mailed to: Local Impact Alliance Attn: Herb Scott Memorial Contributions, 50430 School House Road, Suite 200, Canton, Michigan 48187.

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Upcoming Events

Memorial Gathering

JUN 6. 1:00 PM - 9:00 PM (ET)

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Memorial Service

JUN 7. 12:00 PM (ET)

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