
William Jack Scott(1928 - 2014)

Memorial services for William Jack Scott, 85 of Portales, will be at 11:00 AM on Saturday December 6, 2014, at Wheeler Mortuary Chapel with Kenneth Broad officiating. Jack was born in Omaha, Nebraska on December 20, 1928, to Oliver and Alice Clark Scott and passed away on Wednesday morning December 3, 2014, in Lubbock TX.

He grew up in Council Bluffs, IA, where he met and later married his high school sweetheart, Roberta Austin. Jack earned a BS of Education from Dana College and a MS of Education in Physical Education from the State University of South Dakota. Early in his career, he played baseball for the St Louis Cardinals farm club, which fed into the major league. During his first position teaching and coaching at Willow Lake, SD, Jack was drafted into the Army and served during the [Korean conflict](#). After serving in the military, he returned to South Dakota. A position at Madison, South Dakota followed soon after before he accepted a

job as head football coach at Westmar College in LeMars, Iowa from 1961 to 1970. During that time at Westmar, Jack had the most successful record of any coach before or since at that college. In 1993, he was inducted into the Hall of Fame for Westmar College. In 1970, Coach Scott took the helm at Eastern New Mexico University, as head football coach of the Greyhounds. He coached the Hounds from 1970-1977 with 40 wins and four winning seasons during his tenure at Eastern. In addition, during the summer of 1973, he assisted coaching the Edmonton Eskimos of the Canadian Football League. Retiring from coaching in 1978, Jack continued to teach and mentor students at ENMU till his retirement in 1992.

He was preceded in death by his father, Oliver Scott and mother, Alice Clark Scott.

He is survived by his wife, Roberta Austin Scott and two daughters, Sheryl Scott Jonsson (Gunnar Jonsson) of New Braunfels, TX and Jacquelyn Scott Slay (Joel Slay) of San Antonio, TX and four grandchildren: Kristian Jonsson of Houston, TX, Scott Jonsson of New Braunfels, TX, Alex Slay of San Antonio, TX and Eric Slay of San Antonio, TX. He is also survived by two sisters, Sara Hastings of Council Bluffs, IA and Hazel Scott of Council Bluffs, IA and a nephew, Timothy Hastings, of Shenandoah, IA.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the [American Diabetes Association](#), New Mexico Affiliate, Inc. 525 San Pedro NE, Suite 101, Albuquerque, NM 87108 or the Jack Scott Scholarship Fund, ENMU Foundation, 1500 S. Avenue K, Portales, NM 88130.

Arrangements are under the direction of Wheeler Mortuary of Portales. Condolences can be made at www.wheelermortuary.net

Funeral Home**Wheeler Mortuary**

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