



Marjorie "Jerry" Rugge Scott

October 10, 1921 - November 6, 2024

Clarks Hill, SC – Memorial Services for Marjorie “Jerry” Rugge Scott, 103, who entered into rest November 6, 2024, will be held Wednesday morning, November 27, at 11 o'clock at St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Church in North Augusta, Father Joseph Shippen and Father David Thompson officiating. Private interment will take place in Dothan Church Cemetery.

Mrs. Scott was born October 10, 1921, in Brooklyn, New York to the late Fred W. and Mabelle M. Rugge. Her parents were both second generations Americans from New York City. Jerry wanted to study German in school, but her father, a veteran of the U.S. Army during World War I and himself the son of German immigrants, would not let her; she chose French instead, and eventually became a High School French teacher in Virginia and later in Georgia, while raising her own family. She retired following a ten-year tenure at Augusta Preparatory School. Mrs. Scott earned her bachelor's degree in French from Smith College, an Ivy League women's school in Northampton, Massachusetts in 1942. She became a Navy Officer in World War II and although she could not say so until years afterward for security reasons, in Washington she was assigned as a “Code Breaker”, working on the Japanese mathematical codes. Jerry married then Lieutenant Ralph Carter Scott, who was also stationed in Washington while recovering from malaria he incurred in Guadalcanal. He had not been part of the assault, but was dropped off there after his ship, USS WASP (CV-7), was torpedoed and he had been rescued at

sea.

Interested in both family history and the history of the Edgefield County area where she lived for over 60 years, Jerry Scott was active in the Augusta Genealogical Society and the Old Edgefield District Genealogical Society. She was the Scott family genealogist, with a private publication of the Scott family history. Many members of the extended Scott family treasure both the family history and her publication of the many recipes she cooked and served to four generations.

Survivors include two sons, Dr. Ralph C. Scott. Jr., and Dr. Robert M. Scott; four grandchildren, Ralph C. Scott, III, Kelli S. Wilkinson (Steve), Jill S. Bush and Dr. Kate S. Owens (Luke); and six great-grandchildren, Logan M. Figdore (Mason), Carter D. Owens, Sophie S. Owens, Austin R. Owens, Jordan Bush and Jackson Bush.

Previous Events

Memorial Service

NOV **27**. 11:00 AM (ET)

St. Bartholomew 's Episcopal Church
471 West Martintown Road
North Augusta, SC

Tribute Wall

DS

“ To the family, sincere condolences for the loss of your mother and grandmother! I was a history student of Lt. Scott at NA High School (class of 1967). I didn't know your Mom, but she sounds super smart! So was your Dad! I think that Robert took me bowling one time (because Lt. Scott wanted one of his favorite students to meet him. LOL!). Anyway, when I saw this obit, I wanted to express my sympathy to all of you! Prayers for comfort and strength to the family! 🙏 I also am very thankful for your Mom's service to our country during WW II! 🇺🇸 May she rest in peace, a good and faithful servant!

Donna Sherman - July 11, 2025 at 03:04 PM

LM

“ Love always, Kelli, Steve, Logan, Mason planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of Marjorie "Jerry" Rugge Scott.

Love always, Kelli, Steve, Logan, Mason - November 25, 2024 at 11:14 AM

LM

“ Love always, Kelli, Steve, Logan, Mason purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Marjorie "Jerry" Rugge Scott.



Love always, Kelli, Steve, Logan, Mason - November 25, 2024 at 11:14 AM

JH

“ I am thankful for Mrs. Scott’s service to our nation in the United States Navy during World War II. It is patriots like Mrs. Scott that served to safeguard our freedom and liberty. I offer my sincere condolences to her family, may she rest in peace.

Jeff Hoefs - November 14, 2024 at 08:06 AM

BT

“ Deepest sympathy in the loss of your wonderful mother and grandmother. Prayers for peace have been offered . Billy and Beverly Thurmond

Billy Thurmond - November 11, 2024 at 09:25 AM

KM

So sorry for your families loss. Mrs. Scott was a very special lady.
Kay Bunch Morris

Kay Morris - November 11, 2024 at 10:48 PM

SL

Ralph and Bob and family,
I'm Connie Wilson Fowke's younger daughter. My mom was your dad's first cousin. I am grateful for your mom's long and stimulating life and I so appreciate the Scott family history she wrote and shared with us. I expressed that to with her when we spoke by phone during the Pandemic. I know you will all miss her.
Susan Lemmon

Susan Lemmon - November 18, 2024 at 04:15 PM

KC

I'm so sorry for your family's loss. My husband George and I knew Jerry many years ago when we were at St. Bart's in North Augusta. Jerry told me she thought the Scotts were related to my Dad's family - and we had some wonderful geneology discussions. I had not spoken to her in some years, but remember her passion for family and history. I know she will be missed.
Kathleen O'Neal Cartledge

Kathleen O Cartledge - November 29, 2024 at 08:43 PM