

The Reverend Lou Scales

July 25, 1947 - March 12, 2026

“I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.” 2 Timothy 4:7. On March 12, 2026, Louie G. Scales, Jr. went home to be with his Lord. He was born on July 25, 1947, in Alexandria, Alabama.

The memorial service to honor Lou’s life and ministry will be March 21st at 3pm, at Our Savior Episcopal Church, 4227 Columbia Rd, Martinez, GA. Reception will follow. In lieu of flowers, donations may be given to your church or the Jesse Norman School of the Arts, 739 Greene St, Augusta, GA 30901. Lou is pre-deceased by his parents, Lou and Carolyn Scales, and daughters, Shay and Leah. His memory will live on with his beloved wife, Linda, his son, Jon Scales (Meg Mathis), daughter Jennifer (David) Quebedeaux, and daughter Gelene (Dan) Tabor, grandchildren: Daniel Tabor (Jennifer McGibbon), Sharon Tabor, Timothy (Liz) Tabor, Ryan (Deborah) Tabor, Meaghan (Dan) Ruff, and Rex Cooper-Bryan (Kaily Short), and 21 great-grandchildren.

Lou began his ministry in a small Methodist church, and in 1976 he joined the Army as a chaplain. He considered the military chaplaincy a chance to reach young adults. “When they get into the Army, they run into real life, and it’s a wonderful opportunity to be part of their faith development,” he said.

Lou converted from the Methodist denomination to the Episcopal church in 1992. In the Army, his assignments included three tours in Germany, as well as the National Training Center in Ft. Irwin, CA and the Pentagon. He believed in ministering to soldiers where they worked and served and said, “I

established relationships I still have with people.”

His education includes a BA from Birmingham-Southern College, a Master of Divinity from Emory University, a Certificate in Clinical Pastoral Education from Central State Hospital in Milledgeville, GA, a Master in Education from Boston University, and a Master in Theology from Princeton Seminary.

After retirement from the Army, Lou served as the Assistant Rector at St. Paul’s Episcopal Church in Augusta, GA and Rector at Our Savior Episcopal Church in Martinez, GA.

He and his beloved wife, Linda, served together in the many churches and communities he touched. They also shared a love of travel, exploring the world from Morocco to East Berlin and hundreds of points in-between. He was an avid golfer, a loyal fan of Alabama football and Braves baseball.

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Previous Events

Memorial Service

MAR 21. 3:00 PM (ET)

Our Savior Episcopal Church
4227 Columbia Rd
Augusta, GA 30907-1466
(706) 863-1718

Tribute Wall



“ *Chance & Hydrick Funeral Directors created a Tribute Video in memory of The Reverend Lou Scales*



Chance & Hydrick Funeral Directors - April 01 at 09:22 AM

FN

“ *Dear Linda and family, I was so very sorry to learn of Lou's passing into the nearer presence of God. He was a splendid priest, chaplain and friend. May light perpetual shine upon him. Bob Neske.*

Fr. Robert Neske - April 07 at 01:40 PM

TC

“ *It was great serving with Lou and Lindia In the Army Chaplaincy! Peace and blessings to Linda and family*

Tom Carter - March 18 at 01:12 PM

CV

“ *I shared fun times with Linda and Lou in Ben Franklin Village in Mannheim. My sympathy goes out to you, Linda, and your large family. Thanks for sharing your pictures!!
Chaplain Carol VanSchenk Hof*

Carol VanSchenk Hof - March 18 at 09:57 AM

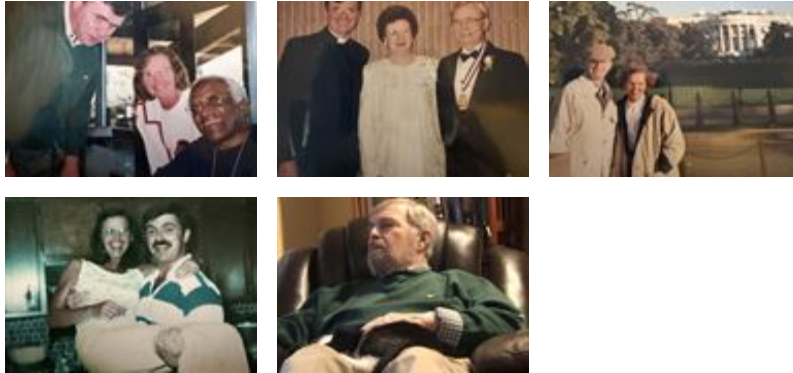
BB

So sorry for your loss.

Betty Bryan - March 19 at 11:05 AM



“ 124 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Chance & Hydrick Funeral Directors - March 16 at 03:12 PM

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“ *Love Always, Dan, Jen, Silas, Abbie, Leo purchased the Enchanted Cottage for the family of The Reverend Lou Scales.*



Love Always, Dan, Jen, Silas, Abbie, Leo - March 14 at 12:51 PM

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“ *Love Always, Dan, Jen, Silas, Abbie, Leo planted a [Memorial Tree](/store/Product.aspx?ProductId=4518) in honor of The Reverend Lou Scales.*

Love Always, Dan, Jen, Silas, Abbie, Leo - March 14 at 12:51 PM



“ *Medium Dish Garden was purchased for the family of The Reverend Lou Scales.*



March 14 at 12:42 PM



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