



James J. Scott

December 10, 1952 - March 26, 2015

James Joseph Scott, 62, of New Britain, Connecticut, husband of Nancy Sellman Scott, passed away Thursday March 26, 2015 at his home. Born and raised in Scranton, Pennsylvania, Jim was the son of the late John J. and Mary T. Scott. A graduate of Scranton Preparatory School, Jim received a BAE degree in Architectural Engineering from Penn State University, class of 1976, and an MBA in Marketing from Wayne State University in 1979. Jim took pride in being an Eagle Scout in high school and sitting on the Borough of State College Planning Committee while at college.

A Professional Engineer in the state of Connecticut, Jim's business career started with The Stanley Works, where he was Vice President of Marketing for Stanley Magic Door and a past president of the Stanley Forum. He was President of Locknetics Security Engineering from 1989-1999 and enjoyed the challenges of leading a growing business. He was next with Ingersoll Rand, where he worked as Executive Director, Enterprise Sales and Marketing, and as a member of the Corporate Leadership Team. Jim's most recent position was as Director of Growth and Innovation for Actuant Corporation, Menomonee Falls, Wisconsin. While in Wisconsin, Jim was a founding member of the Milwaukee Growth and Innovation Round Table.

Jim has had a long commitment to his local community, including as a founding board member of M.O.M.S. teen pregnancy support program; board member of Catholic Family Chapter, New Britain, CT; member of the Board of Directors of Okay Industries; and as a past President of Shuttle Meadow

Country Club. Regionally, Jim was a past President of the Connecticut World Affairs Council; Chairman of the University of Hartford Construction Institute; and Vice Chairman of U.S. Department of Commerce District Export Council. In 1997, Jim was an honored recipient of the President of the United States E' Award for excellence in exporting.

Jim is survived by his wife Nancy, beloved daughters Megan Scott of Los Angeles, CA, and Taryn Scott Pike and her husband Jeffrey of Brookline, MA; his sister Terri O'Rourke and her husband John of Merion, PA and their children Ryan, Cara, John and Corey; his brother Jeffrey of Sarasota, FL and his wife Sue and their daughter Nicole; brother-in-law David Sellman of LaGrange, GA and his wife Ann and children David and Kathryn; his brother-in-law Bryan Sellman of New Hartford, CT; and father-in-law Nils D. Sellman of Simsbury, CT.

Jim loved to learn and as both a student and teacher of all things, he was always eager to share his knowledge and skills with anyone interested in learning. Known as a creative thinker and solution maker, he never liked hearing "it can't be done". Jim knew there was an answer, generally found from an uncommon route, and he took great pleasure in the process, not only the end result. He had a contact list that would rival many, one that came from his desire to stay connected and remember the many people that he met throughout the course of his life. Fly fishing, golf, and home renovation projects gave him great enjoyment. At the end of the day, Jim's greatest satisfaction came from spending time with his family, friends, and admired colleagues.

Friends are invited to join the family directly at St. Maurice Church, 100 Wightman Road, New Britain, Wednesday at 11 AM for a Mass of Christian Burial. Burial will be private and at the convenience of the family. Calling hours are Tuesday from 4 to 7 PM at Carlson Funeral Home, 45 Franklin Square, New Britain. Memorial donations may be made to the Hartford HealthCare Cancer Institute at The Hospital of Central Connecticut, 183 North Mountain

Road, New Britain, CT 06050. Please share a memory or note of sympathy by clicking on "Add Condolences" at the bottom of this screen.

Tribute Wall

DD

“ I had the privilege of working in engineering at Locknetics and Ingersoll Rand under Jim's leadership. He was an innovative, "hands-on" guy in touch with what all his employees were doing. I had a great deal of respect for him. He will be missed by all who knew him.

David DeBiase - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

KB

“ I was so sorry to hear that Jim had passed away. You all have been in our thoughts and prayers. Jim was a great guy and I have many great memories from the visits to Montana. He will be missed by all. God bless.

Kevin barrows - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

TB

“ Tony and I are sad to hear the news. We remember Jim fondly from our years at Locknetics and then Ingersoll Rand. Sending our thoughts and prayers.

Tony and Jody Boatman - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

AJ

“ I was so fortunate to meet such a wonderful man during my career at Actuant. Jim would come to the payroll office and make sure he was always doing what he was supposed to do to make sure he got everything correct. He liked to joke with us & listen when we needed him. What a wonderful man. I send my deepest sympathies to the entire family & know that he will be deeply missed.

Andrea Johnson - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MB

“ Jim made you believe in yourself and that all things were possible. He possessed a generosity of spirit that was greater than anyone else I have ever met.
If your memory is measured by the good you brought to the world, Jim will be remembered for generations.

Mark Berger - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JW

“ In 1995 I interviewed for my first professional engineering job with Jim at Locknetics and he gave me the opportunity that started my long career. Jim was a good role model for me and I have thought of him often over the years. I have held him up as an example of a good leader, patient, demanding, fair, full of energy and innovation. He was quick to offer help to those who needed it and was genuine when giving thanks for a job well done. He instilled personal responsibility, when I went on my first business trip I asked him what the expense report policy was, he told me that I should “Treat the money as if it were my own and if I did not know how manage my money he would talk with me further”. When I completed my first assignment and the product launched he treated me and my new wife to our first fancy dinner as a thank you and since we were new to the area he recommended the place. I remember how happy and proud he was of his girls when he spoke about them, I seem to recall that Megan was his budding engineer and when I picked up his old orange tractor he mentioned the happy memories he had pulling the kids around the house in the trailer and his remodeling project. Jim touched the lives of many people and we are better because of him.

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DS

“ Jim's passing is a huge loss to the lives of those he touched in this world. His generosity of spirit, his kind, caring and engaging interaction with others, and his honest and genuine insights made him an important friend to me and many others. His example will continue to be an inspiration for years to come. My sincerest condolences to his family, in whose loss we all share.

David S. Smith - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MF

“ Please know of our deepest sympathy and prayers for you and your family during this difficult time of loss. *Monica Bubser and Family*

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RR

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I was deeply saddened to hear of his passing. He will be greatly missed. His principles and the way he lived his life had a huge positive impact on those of us that knew him. He will never be forgotten.

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GR

“ I am deeply saddened to hear of Jim's passing. He and I have shared many good times together as members of The Executive Forum where we became as close as business partners. Together we learned about human nature, suffered some setbacks, and more than once helped each other get back up again. Jim always had more time for others than for himself, he would never let us fail.

Please accept my deepest sympathy for your loss. Our thoughts are with you at this difficult time.

George

George P Russell - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MT

“ To the Scott family,

The World Affairs Council of Connecticut benefited greatly from Jim's considerable leadership skills during the time that he served on our board of directors and as our President. His extraordinary ability to reach out to others, take a sincere interest in them and draw them into his circle was a talent that he shared with us and the many other organizations he led. Jim was a man of vision who could recognize emerging issues, such as making counterterrorism a focus of the Council's programs in the 1990s, before many in public life recognized the degree of our country's vulnerability. You have our deepest sympathy at his loss. Know that his work at the Council is part of his legacy. Our membership will not forget his many contributions to our organization.

The World Affairs Council of Connecticut

Megan Torrey - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

ER

“ *To all of Jim's family and friends,*

I know I speak for many fellow members of the Executive Forum who were thankful for Jim's support, generosity and contributions to the group. He was a giver in every sense of the word.

My thoughts and prayers are with you,

Ed Rowland

Ed Rowland - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MH

“ I met Jim when I was working at the Corporate Office of Ingersoll-Rand. His passion and vision were infectious and I thought 'this is a guy I want to work for'. That's exactly what I did - Jim gave me my first job in the security industry and I'm still in it 15 years later. I'll be always grateful for that start. I worked with Jim for several years at IR and always admired his drive to win in business. Despite this drive, he was such a good human being - always asking about your personal life and how things were going at home etc. Everyone that knew Jim respected him for his integrity - he was a guy you could trust and like even though he wanted to push everyone around him to be better.

I'm glad I got to know him and wish we had spent more time together after we parted ways, but enjoyed one last breakfast with him last November. His body was failing him but he was still looking for ways to work together. That was Jim!

His family and friends are in my thoughts and prayers.

*With Sorrow,
Martin Huddart*

*President, Access and Egress Hardware Group, ASSA ABLOY
Americas*

Martin Huddart - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

AB

“ I feel very fortunate to have been in the presence of such a wonderful man so full of life. Even in his weakest moments, he uplifted me through his kind words. May the family find peace and comfort during this very difficult time. Jim's spirt will forever live in all those who's lives he has touched. Peace to you Jim Scott as you continue your eternal life with God. Thank you for your friendship.
Angie

Angie Betz - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

GP

“ In Loving Memory and with heartfelt condolences.

Gen3 Partners - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

LK

“ I have fond memories of the Scott family growing up in Green Ridge. I was between Jimmy and Terri at St Clare's. My sympathies to all his family at this very sad time in your lives.

Laila McGee Kane - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

JR

“ Dear Nancy,

I met Jim in October 2008 through the Executive Forum. I appreciated our friendship very much. He was a very caring and supportive man.

I was very sorry to hear of his passing and wish you and your family all the best in this very difficult time.

Sincerely,

Jim

Jim Ranton - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

DD

“ *We are saddened to hear of Jims death. Donnys memory is helping Jim move to Connecticut so he could meet Nancy. Donny was responsible for moving all of Jims shirts. A great guy who will be truly missed. So sorry for your loss, Nancy aND family. Colleen and Donny Dodgson*

Donald dodgson - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

MK

“ *scottie our times at goose pond, bird dougherty's basement, & franks maeket- will always be rembemered R.I.P mark kelly dunmore pa.*

mark kelly - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM

RZ

“ Nancy and the girls,
I will have many fond memories of Jim as being so kind and friendly to me as well as you Nancy. I know you two went through all of this together, hand in hand, making it peacefull for Jim's transition from life to eternal life. My sincerest thoughts, prayers and condolences to your family at this most trying of times. May the Lord's love be with you.

Your friend,

Rick

Rick Zepeda - September 20, 2016 at 12:00 AM