



## Dr. Scott Stephen Steckler

December 11, 2015

Dr. Scott S. Steckler

On Friday, December 11, 2015 Dr. Scott Stephen Steckler passed away surrounded by family. He was the beloved son of the late Arthur Steckler, Jr. and Emelda Davis Steckler. He had two siblings, the late Arthur Steckler III, and Dr. Starr Steckler of Slidell. He is survived by his daughter Shay Angeline Steckler and son Cory Patrick Steckler.

A dedicated educator for 46 years, Dr. Steckler began teaching in 1969 at Airline Park Elementary. He also taught special education at Dolhonde Elementary and McDonogh #27 Special School. He became parish-wide Supervisor of Special Education, then principal of Henry Ford Junior High for 8 years, and has been principal at George Cox Elementary for the past 28 years.

Dr. Scott Steckler was an active member of the American Association of Kidney Patients, lobbying congress for improvements in kidney dialysis. He routinely sought opportunities to improve the communities of which he was a part through both large contributions and small personal touches.

Visitation for Dr. Steckler will be held on Saturday, December 19th, beginning at 8:30 a.m., at St. Mary of the Angels Catholic Church, 3501 N. Miro St., 9th Ward of New Orleans. This is where Scott was baptized, attended grammar school, and later attended mass and participated in community activities. Vigil Mass will be celebrated at 11:00 a.m. This will be followed by burial at Greenwood Cemetery, 5200 Canal Blvd. An additional reception, beginning at

1:30 p.m., will take place at George Cox Elementary School at 2630 Belle Chasse Hwy in Gretna. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Buhangijia Nursery School in Shinyanga, Tanzania. Visit [www.villageoflivinghope.org](http://www.villageoflivinghope.org) for donation information. Arrangements by: D.W. Rhodes Funeral Home, 1020 Virgil St, Gretna, La. Please visit [www.rhodesfuneral.com](http://www.rhodesfuneral.com) to sign online guestbook.

# Cemetery Details

## Greenwood Cemetery

5242 Canal Blvd  
New Orleans, LA 70124

# Previous Events

## Visitation

DEC 19. 8:30 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

St. Mary of the Angels Catholic Church  
3501 N. Miro Street  
New Orleans, LA 70117

## Service

DEC 19. 11:00 AM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

MP

“ It can be hard to face the new year without your loved one, but the love of family and friends can carry you through. *Mattie Terrell Parker Marrero La.*

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**Mattie Terrell Parker** - December 25, 2015 at 03:48 PM

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“ I am so very thankful that I was a part of the George Cox family for my first 9 years working for JPPSS. I loved Scott's innovative and out of the box thinking. I admired his passion for education. His sense of humor was contagious! I am thankful for years we worked together, I learned so much from him. My thoughts and prayers are with Shay and Cory and all who loved him. Until we meet again, Scott....

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**Angela Malick** - December 18, 2015 at 09:19 PM

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“ My deepest sympathy to the family of Mr. Scott; for we have truly lost a dedicated, faithful servant here @St. Mary of the Angels Catholic Church-----May the Soul of the faithfully departed forever rest in Peace. *Debra M.P. Theard*

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**Debra Theard** - December 18, 2015 at 07:10 PM

JY

“ I was sorry to hear of Scott's passing. My prayers go to his family and friends and all his co-workers. Those of us who got to know him learned many things that we will carry with us through our lives. He will be missed by many. *Johnnie Young*

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**Johnnie Young** - December 18, 2015 at 06:44 AM

 Traci  
Vedros

“ I am truly heartbroken. JPPSS lost one of the good guys! Dr. Steckler molded me into the teacher that I am today - and I am forever grateful that the first 10 years of my career were under his guidance. Love and prayers to Shay and Cory - and to the George Cox family.

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**Traci Vedros** - December 18, 2015 at 06:37 AM

BM

“ Cory, Elizabeth, Shay, and all your family... you are in our thoughts and prayers. Your dedicated, giving and caring father must have influenced thousands of students and teachers in all those years of teaching and administering. You are a tribute to his legacy. Love and peace to you all, Barb & Al

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**Barb & Al McGuffie** - December 18, 2015 at 04:18 AM

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“ As been said before Scott loved his family and his school family. He made a mark and his living was not in vain! He is absent from this earthly body and present with God! He will be missed by all that he encountered! Family you are all in our prayers! Amelia Noel

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**Amelia Noel** - December 17, 2015 at 09:31 PM