



Hollis L. Scott, Sr.

Class of 1961

Hollis Lee Scott, Sr., a native of Union Springs, AL, enrolled at Tuskegee University in 1957 where he played baseball for four years. He earned four varsity letters (1957-1961) as a pitcher and substitute outfielder. Hollis served as co-captain of the baseball team (1960 and 1961) and played on the 1961 championship Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SIAC) baseball team.

Hollis was an average student at Tuskegee University. He maintained a high C average while attending the institution. He worked on campus and maintained decent grades while excelling athletically. Hollis graduated from this prestigious institution in 1961 with a Bachelor of Arts in Education. After leaving Tuskegee, Hollis served a four year tour of duty in the United States Air Force. While in the Air Force he was the starting centerfield on the 1965 Maxwell Air Force Base Worldwide Championship fast pitch team. He also obtained a Master of Education degree from Wright State University in Dayton, Ohio in 1975.

Upon an honorable discharge from the U. S. Air Force, Hollis taught in the state of Alabama for six years. His last teaching position was at St. Jude Catholic High School in Montgomery. He also served as assistant coach for the football and basketball programs. St. Jude placed second in the Alabama High School Basketball Tournament in 1971 while Hollis was on the coaching staff. He was the second African American to officiate the Alabama State High School Basketball Tournament in 1970. He served as a high school football, baseball, and basketball official from 1965 through 1971. In 1971, he moved his family to Dayton, OH to begin working for the City of Dayton. He retired from the City of Dayton in December 1993 from the Human Relations Council. Scott worked in several offices and capacities as a City of Dayton employee, including the Model Cities Program and the Office of Management and Budget. During his tenure the City of Dayton was recognized as an All-American City for its programs and community focus.

Hollis has participated on various boards throughout the city of Dayton to promote the advancement of African Americans socially and politically. He continues to serve through memberships and service in the local NAACP Chapter, Madden Community Golf Club and as the Pastor's Steward at St. Paul A. M. E. Zion Church. He regularly teaches the afternoon bible study at his church and is often called upon to be the liturgist for the morning worship service.