Obituaries
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He was born Feb. 20, 1924, at Jefferson City, Mo., to Julius George and Monta Donaldson Schott.

He graduated from Jefferson City High School. Following high school, he served in World War II in the 98th Infantry Division Band of the U.S. Army from 1943 to 1946. From 1948 to 1949, he was a member of the National Band of the Air, then became a member of the Kansas City Philharmonic from 1949 to 1950.

He received a bachelor of music degree in clarinet performance in 1949 from the Cincinnati Conservatory of Music and a master of music degree in clarinet performance in 1954 from the University of Tulsa.

From 1977 to 1979, he was the first secretary-treasurer of the International Clarinet Society. He became professor emeritus at Pittsburg State University after teaching there from 1949 to 1989. After retiring from PSU, he continued teaching at Southwest Missouri State University and Missouri Southern State University for several years.

He started the annual Arbor Day program in the Pittsburg elementary schools and was a member of the Audubon Society. He was a member of First United Methodist Church.

He married Isa Schott on April 26, 1973, in London. She survives of the home.

Additional survivors include two daughters, Jennifer Schott of Nashville, Tenn., and Julie Rowland of Hollis, N.H.; one son, Jeffrey Scott of Grapevine, Texas; one brother, John Schott of Kansas City, Mo.; one sister, Judy Walraven of Tucson, Ariz.; and two grandsons.

A musical celebration of his life will be at 3 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 22, at McCray Hall at PSU with the Rev. Thomas Sims of First United Methodist Church officiating. The body has been cremated. Private inurnment of the cremains will be at a later date in Garden of Memories Cemetery. Friends may call at Brenner Mortuary in Pittsburg to sign the register. Arrangements are under the direction of Brenner Mortuary.

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