



Scott Charles Roberts
Class of 2026

Scott Charles Roberts, Oroville High School Class of 1969, built a distinguished career rooted in innovation, technical excellence, community service, and lifelong dedication to education. Over more than four decades, Scott became widely respected for his work in broadcast engineering, telecommunications, instructional technology, and educational media services, while remaining deeply committed to preserving local history and serving the communities he has always called home.

As a student at Oroville High School during the 1960s, Scott's interests in electronics, photography, radio, and technology quickly became evident. He participated in the Electronics Club, Radio Club, National Honor Society, Library Club, and Tiger Tales newspaper staff. He also took part in the student radio program "Campus Highways" on KAOR-AM 1340 in Oroville, an experience that sparked his lifelong passion for broadcasting and communications technology.

Following graduation, Scott attended Butte College, earning an Associate of Arts Degree in Electronic Technology and achieving a lifetime cumulative GPA of 3.25. He later studied Industrial Technology at California State University, Chico, before completing an Associate of Science Degree in Electronics and Microcomputers at Mission College in Santa Clara.

Scott's professional career began in radio broadcasting while he was still attending college. At KEWQ-AM 930 in Paradise, he worked as a part-time studio operator, airing sponsored religious and entertainment programming. His technical skills and strong work ethic quickly opened additional opportunities throughout California radio. He later worked at KCBM-FM in Chico, KFME-FM, KXRX-AM, and KSJO-FM in San Jose, gaining extensive experience in studio operations, transmitter maintenance, audio production, and engineering support.

By the late 1970s and early 1980s, Scott had established himself as a highly skilled broadcast engineer capable of building and maintaining sophisticated radio facilities. His work included coordinating and wiring studios, constructing technical systems, maintaining transmission equipment, and supporting major live broadcasts and station operations in the competitive Bay Area radio market.

Scott's expertise later led him into telecommunications and aerospace support. At Gill Cable in San Jose, he served as a Quality Control Test Technician, working with cable distribution systems and signal testing equipment. He then joined Lockheed Missiles & Space Company in Sunnyvale, where he supported mission-critical communications systems used by engineering, missile, and satellite development teams.

In 1991, Scott returned to Butte-Glenn Community College District, where he would leave perhaps his greatest professional legacy. Initially hired to support educational television operations, he became deeply involved in designing, building, and expanding

the college's instructional media and telecommunications systems. One of his most significant accomplishments was helping develop and construct a fully operational educational television studio that greatly expanded the college's instructional programming capabilities.

Scott also played a critical role in developing distance learning opportunities at Butte College during a time when remote instruction was still in its infancy. He coordinated cable television educational channels, upgraded transmission systems, resolved technical challenges affecting classroom instruction, and helped improve educational access for students throughout the region.

After more than 20 years at Butte College, Scott retired in 2011, but retirement only created new opportunities for service and community involvement. He became active in the Yuba City Kiwanis Club, volunteering extensively in fundraising events, scholarship support, youth activities, and community service projects. His dedication and leadership earned him the club's prestigious Kiwanian of the Year honors in both 2021-2022 and 2022-2023.

Scott has also devoted significant time to preserving local history. Working alongside fellow Oroville historian Larry Matthews, he contributed research, photography, and technical support to several historical publications and presentations focused on Oroville and Butte County history, including *The Lost Communities of Lake Oroville*, which he co-authored with Matthews. He has also participated in public presentations, museum events, and regional historical programs that helped preserve and share the area's rich heritage with future generations.

Throughout every stage of his life, Scott Roberts has demonstrated the qualities of curiosity, perseverance, integrity, and service. From his beginnings as an Oroville High School student fascinated by electronics and broadcasting, to his distinguished career in communications technology and education, to his ongoing commitment to community service and local history, Scott has had a positive impact on countless students, colleagues, and community members.

The Oroville Union High School District Hall of Fame proudly recognizes Scott Charles Roberts for his outstanding professional achievements, dedication to educational advancement, and lasting contributions to the communities of Oroville, Yuba City, and beyond.

Scott and his wife, Judy, make their home in Yuba City.