The 2027 Southeast Fire Rescue College is dedicated to the memory of

John A. Locklear Jr.

In Loving Memory of John A. Locklear Jr.: A Life of Love and Service

John A. Locklear Jr. was a loving husband, devoted daddy, proud Papa, and dedicated public servant whose life touched both his family and his community.
He was a loving husband to Camilla Locklear and a devoted father to Tiffany, Matthew, and Briana. He was also a proud Papa to ten grandchildren, each of whom held a special place in his heart. His family meant the world to him, and the love he shared with them will remain one of his greatest legacies.

When John Jr. wasn't spending time with his family, he was serving alongside his other family in fire and rescue. He served as fire chief of Raft Swamp Fire and Rescue and dedicated years of his life to helping others. His service also included Pembroke Rescue, Lumberton Rescue, and The Town of Pembroke Fire Department.

John Jr. was always willing to help someone in need or in a crisis. When the tones went off, he was on his way, answering the call with dedication and a heart for service. To his community, he was someone they could count on. To those who served beside him, he was part of their family.

John Jr. was well known because he showed up for people. His willingness to help, his commitment to serving, and his love for his family left a lasting mark on those who knew him. For his family, the loss is felt in the everyday moments—the conversations they wish they could have, the milestones they wish he could see, and the times they simply want their daddy or Papa beside them. Yet the memories he gave them remain, offering comfort and reminding them of the love they will always share.

John A. Locklear Jr. will be remembered with love, gratitude, and pride. His service made a
difference, his life mattered, and his memory will forever hold a place in the hearts of his family,
his fire and rescue family, and his community.