

**North Carolina A&T State University
School of Education**

**Reception for
Mrs. Shirley T. Frye**

*Thursday, September 10, 2009
5:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.
School of Education Lobby*



**HONORS THE NAMING OF THE
SHIRLEY T. FRYE DISTINGUISHED PROFESSORSHIP
IN URBAN EDUCATION
(FUNDED BY THE SPANGLER FOUNDATION)**

Program

- Presiding..... Mr. Wendell Phillips
Director of State and Community Relations**
- Invocation..... Mr. Henry Frye, Jr.
Son of Henry and Shirley Frye**
- Greetings..... Dr. Sullivan A. Welborne, Jr.
Vice Chancellor for Student Affairs**
- Occasion..... Dr. Mark Kiel
Vice Chancellor for Development and University Relations**
- Remarks and Acknowledgements..... Dr. Ceola Ross-Baber
Dean, NCAT School of Education**
- Remarks..... Mrs. Shirley Frye**

**Summary of the Life and Career
of
Mrs. Shirley T. Frye**



Shirley Taylor Frye, was born and raised in Fremont, NC, and graduated valedictorian of Friendship High School. She received her bachelor of science degree from North Carolina A&T State University (NCA&T) with high honors in education and English. She later received a master of science degree with honors in psychology and special education, from Syracuse University.

Mrs. Frye is the recipient of over 25 honors and awards, including the 1985 Governor’s Order of the Long Leaf Pine Award, 2003 WFMY-TV Community Champion Award, 2005 Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters from Bennett College, 2006 American Judicature Society (AJS) National Justice Award, 2006 Honorary Doctor of Humane Letters from UNC-Greensboro, and the 2008 Greensboro Partnership Distinguished Citizen Award.

Mrs. Frye started her professional career in Greensboro, NC, as a public school teacher. She taught second grade and exceptional children. She taught briefly at Bennett College and later returned to Bennett as a special assistant to the president and director of planned giving. She has worked at NCA&T in three different capacities including assistant vice chancellor for development and university relations and most recently, a special assignment as executive assistant to the chancellor. One of the most exciting and rewarding jobs to Mrs. Frye was vice president of community relations for the Greensboro CBS affiliate, WFMY-TV.

Mrs. Frye has been involved in over 100 former and present associations and affiliations. She has been a member of Providence Baptist Church for over 50 years. She has served on boards not only in the Greensboro area but state and national levels, as well. One cannot begin to list the prestigious boards and affiliations Mrs. Frye of which she has been a part. She is a member of, Alpha Kappa Alpha Sorority, Inc., The Links, Inc., 100 Black Women, Women Administrators in Higher Education, and a life member of the National Association for the Advancement of Colored People.

Shirley T. Frye is married to the former North Carolina Supreme Court Chief Justice Henry E. Frye, and they recently celebrated their 53rd anniversary. They have two sons, Judge Henry E. Frye Jr. (daughter-in-law Angela) and Harlan Frye; and three granddaughters, Whitney, Jordan and Endya Frye.

