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Carroll A. Campbell, Jr., Governor of South Carolina, was born in Greenville and educated in the public schools. He began work in the Real Estate Business at age 19 and later became part owner of a parking facility and restaurant chains, as well as a farmer and breeder of Arabian horses. Governor Campbell served two terms in the South Carolina House Of Representatives and one term in the State Senate. He represented South Carolina's 4th Congressional District in the U.S. Congress from 1978 to 1986. When he was elected Governor, November 4, 1986, becoming the second Representative in more than a century to attain the state's highest office.

In April 1989 a monument was dedicated to the dancers who come to North Myrtle Beach every year by Mayor Phil Tilghman and the City Council. Former S.O.S. President Gene Laughter unveiled the monument to the dancers and shaggers he helped bring to Ocean Drive over the years. The piece was designed by North Myrtle Beach artist Mike Todd.

Governor Carroll Campbell issued a proclamation designating July 21, 1989, as Shag Day in South Carolina in honor of the Shag. Which first gained popularity in the 1930's. This day was also being celebrated in Hollywood with a premiere showing of a movie that was released in 800 theaters nationwide.

Governor Campbell married to Iris Faye Rhodes with (2) children, Carroll A. III and Richard Michael, II; graduate of American University; Life Member Sertoma International; 32nd Degree Mason; Shriner; recipient of South Carolina and National Vocational Rehabilitation Citizenship Awards;" former Governor's representative to Medical University of South Carolina Board of Trustees; previously served in House, 1971-74; Senate, 1977-78; Asst. Minority Leader in House, 1973-1974; named outstanding Freshman Congressman, 1979; Chairman, Reagan for President, Campaign in South Carolina, 1980 & 1984; currently serves as V.C. of the National Governors' Assn. and as a member of the National Education Goals Panel; Co-Chairman of the National Council on Education standards and Testing; reelected Governor for second term on November 6, 1990.