



## Bill Plunk

March 23, 1941 - October 9, 2024

Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford

After spending 83 years on this earth, Bill Plunk died and went on to claim his Heavenly reward. A visitation will be held on Tuesday, October 15, 2024, from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. at North Oxford Baptist Church (304 CR 101, Oxford, MS 38655). A celebration of life will immediately follow at 6:00 p.m., also at North Oxford Baptist Church. Bro. Randy Bain will officiate. Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford is in charge of arrangements.

Bill (known then as Billy) moved north from Bruce in 1962 to attend Ole Miss and like many others, he never left Oxford. For work, he served as The Chancery Clerk of Lafayette County for around 28 years before taking what he called his “forced retirement.” After leaving public service, he “went to the farm,” where he spent the last 20 years of his life buying and selling a few cows and trying to go to as many livestock or equipment sales as he possibly could. It’s also worth mentioning that he loved Ole Miss Football Games and never missed going to Vaught-Hemingway. That was until he claimed ticket prices got too expensive. He then watched every game on TV and joked the restroom lines were much shorter at the house anyway.

He loved North Oxford Baptist Church where he was a faithful member for over 60 years. In his younger years, he enjoyed playing on the Men’s

Basketball Team always wearing the number 55. Those old enough to remember him considered his blocking with the elbow to be borderline “un-Christian like” behavior. After retiring his jersey, he valued being a member of his Sunday School Class and loved each and every class member like family.

He took care of himself as well as anyone and stayed active more than most, but no one lives forever. His body was getting tired, and he knew it. One of his greatest fears was the thought of giving up his independence. He never wanted to live in any sort of retirement community (nor is there one that could have held him). His family takes solace in the fact that he was able to depart with no long battles and with no tubes or wires attached.

Bill is survived by his daughter, Jenny (Mike) Edwards of Oxford; his son, Jason (Collin Hill) Plunk of Oxford; three grandchildren, Lucas Edwards, Logan Edwards, and Anna Claire Plunk, all of Oxford; one brother, Ted (Jane) Plunk of Bruce, MS; one sister, Judy (Joe) Carnaggio of Derma, MS; his close friend, Fergie Crill of Oxford; and a host of nieces, nephews, and extended family members.

Bill was preceded in death by his beloved wife, Gloria Plunk; his parents, T.W. Plunk and Francis Plunk; and one brother, Jerry Plunk.

Donations and memorials in honor of Mr. Bill Plunk may be made to St. Jude Children’s Research Hospital ([www.stjude.org/donate](http://www.stjude.org/donate)).

Online condolences may be left on his Tribute Wall at [www.colemanfuneralhome.com](http://www.colemanfuneralhome.com).

# Previous Events

## Visitation

OCT **15**. 3:00 PM - 6:00 PM (CT)

North Oxford Baptist Church  
304 CR 101  
Oxford, MS 38655

## Celebration of Life

OCT **15**. 6:00 PM (CT)

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# Tribute Wall

JM

“ I always enjoyed being able to talk and visit with Bill when he would come by. A good man and a better person.

John Mulkey - October 28, 2024 at 04:11 PM

HC

“ He was very nice to work for, always telling jokes he will be truly miss your ex- employee Henrietta Coleman

Henrietta Coleman - October 16, 2024 at 11:56 AM

AV

“ Audrey Vaughn purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Bill Plunk.



Audrey Vaughn - October 15, 2024 at 09:28 AM

LD

“ Love, Kristie and Charlie Davis purchased the Medium Dish Garden for the family of Bill Plunk.



Love, Kristie and Charlie Davis - October 14, 2024 at 08:03 PM

DM

“ I Jenny

Dana McKibben - October 14, 2024 at 04:46 PM

DM

*Jenny and Jason, I knew Bill for most of my life growing up in Bruce also! His brother, Jerry, married my cousin, Olivia Morgan! Bill was always so good at helping people! Many times when we were at Ole Miss, Bill would call our house on Sunday afternoon to see if I needed a ride back to school at Oxford. He graduated from Ole Miss two years before I did. When he graduated, Mr. Theron (T. W.) made Bill the president of Confederate States Savings and Loan in Oxford. The situation arose and I needed to buy a house. Well, Bill called me and said I hear you're wanting to buy a house! I said, yes I am, and Bill said come to my office! He made me a loan for a new house that I badly needed. Bill was that kind of person! I'll miss Bill as I know so many will! My daughter, Jessica, who grew up as your friend Jenny always thought the world of you and your whole family! When I go to Bruce, I think about the Plunk family as I pass their house that is directly across the street from the Bruce Cemetery where Bill's brother Ted lives now! I also think of Ms. Francis East Plunk, your grandmother, who dearly loved her family! You all are in my prayers Jenny.*

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**Dana McKibben** - October 14, 2024 at 05:14 PM



“ *Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Bill Plunk.*



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October 14, 2024 at 04:38 PM

DD

“ *Very sorry about your loss. Mr. Plunk was a mentor to me as a young lawyer in Oxford many years ago. He was always available for sage advice and great fun to be around! I'll miss him!*

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**Derrell Lee Doss** - October 14, 2024 at 02:57 PM



“ From Melissa and Jodie Offutt purchased the Beautiful Dreams for the family of Bill Plunk.



From Melissa and Jodie Offutt - October 14, 2024 at 02:24 PM



“ On behalf of Oxford High Class of 89, we are sending our thoughts and prayers to the Plunk Family. Jason we love you and honor your family in this difficult time.



Konjuwa Williams-Hilliard - October 13, 2024 at 11:52 PM



“ 119 files added to the album LifeTributes



Coleman Funeral Home of Southaven - October 13, 2024 at 11:48 PM

TJ

“ Bill and Gloria were my training union teachers at North Oxford Baptist Church when I was a pre-teen.. then in 1979, I started employment in the Circuit Clerks office which was next door and up stairs to the chancery office so basically I worked with Bill for about 10 y ears... I am really sad to hear of his passing.

*Terrie Thomas Johnson  
Water Valley, MS*

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**Terrie Johnson** - October 13, 2024 at 07:32 PM



“ Jenny and Jason, my deepest condolences on the passing of your dad. May he rest well.

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**Max Hill** - October 13, 2024 at 06:14 PM

JH

“ Jason and Jenny & family ,  
I am very sorry for your loss . I agree with it's a blessing that he was still independent and did not have to rely on anyone to take care of him . God knows he is the King ! We love you and pray for you .

*Jamie aka Magnolia  
Mary aka Snake*

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**Jamie Holcombe** - October 13, 2024 at 04:00 PM