



David Eliot Wheelock

December 16, 1939 - February 20, 2023

David Eliot Wheelock passed away peacefully at home in Oxford, MS on Monday, February 20, 2023. A memorial reception will be held Saturday, February 25, 2023, from 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., at Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford.

He was born in New York City on December 16, 1939, and grew up in Sherman, CT. He attended South Kent School, earned his undergraduate degree from Williams College, and received his Master's degree from Wesleyan. He returned to South Kent School, where he was a beloved teacher of mathematics and physics, a football coach, and a life-long mentor. He then joined IBM, which began his long and successful career in the software business.

Dave was an avid tennis player and loved sailing. He traveled extensively and was a life-long NY Giants football fan. His family and friends describe him as loving, polite, charming, well-read, smart, immaculately-dressed, witty, master of dad jokes (before they were known as dad jokes), and always in good spirits. He had a knack for making everyone around him feel comfortable and at ease. His kind generous spirit and easy smile will be missed.

He is survived by his loving wife, Mary Harrington of Oxford, MS; sister Nancy Williford of Corona Del Mar, CA; daughters Jennifer (Todd) Hammond of

Magnolia, TX and Amy Wheelock of New York City, NY; and grandchildren Justin of Boise, ID and Nikki of Austin, TX.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the Michael J. Fox Foundation for Parkinson's Research, Grand Central Station, P.O. Box 4777, New York, NY, 10163; www.michaeljfox.org.

Coleman Funeral Home is honored to be serving the Wheelock/Harrington family during this time of loss. Online condolences can be left on his Tribute Wall at www.colemanfuneralhome.com.

Previous Events

Celebration of Life

FEB **25**. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall

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“ David, the University of Mississippi Museum extends its enduring love and thanks for being such a gracious friend, visitor, and program participant. To Mary we send our heartfelt condolences and our warm welcome to come to the Museum any day for reflection, solace, and inspiration in our galleries. When you visit you will be among friends who admire and appreciate you so greatly.

Robert Saarnio - February 27, 2023 at 11:01 PM

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“ Dave and I connected through our wives and our shared love of sporty cars

David Williams - February 24, 2023 at 08:11 PM



“ 47 files added to the album Life Tributes



Coleman Funeral Home - February 23, 2023 at 02:57 PM



“ *Beautiful in Blue was purchased for the family of David Eliot Wheelock.*



February 23, 2023 at 12:38 PM



“ *Latasha Willis lit a candle in memory of David Wheelock*



Latasha Willis - February 22, 2023 at 09:33 PM



“ *Dear Mary and Family, Our prayers are with you (and with David) during this time of reflection and sharing. We also send the prayer commitment of all the NAMI Pine Belt team members. We cherish you as a companion on our journey. Sandy and Joe Kinnan, Hattiesburg*

Joe and Sandy Kinnan - February 22, 2023 at 08:04 PM



“ *Mary, I am so very sorry to hear of your loss. I pray for peace and strength for you during the upcoming days. Know that you are loved. Linda Foley*

Linda Foley - February 22, 2023 at 02:49 PM