



Herbert Dewees

January 25, 2008

Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford

Herbert Emille Dewees, Jr., 65, died Friday, January 25, 2008, at Sanctuary Hospice House in Tupelo, MS.

A native of Meridian, MS, Mr. Dewees joined the University of Mississippi Alumni Affairs staff at the Medical Center in 1976, then moved to the Oxford campus a year-and-a-half later to work with various alumni chapters on alumni activities and fund raising. He served as executive director from 1990 until he retired in 2004. Mr. Dewees was a Paul Harris Fellow in the Oxford Rotary Club and participated in fund-raising campaigns for his church, First Presbyterian, and Oxford Medical Ministries. In 2004, he received the Algernon Sydney Sullivan Award for exhibiting the character, humanitarian and spiritual qualities evident in the life of Sullivan, a prominent 19th century Southern philanthropist, lawyer, and businessman.

A memorial service will be held Monday, January 28, 2008, at 11:00 a.m. at the First Presbyterian Church in Oxford with Rev. John Semmes officiating. A reception will immediately follow in the Butler Auditorium of the Triplett Alumni Center at the University of Mississippi. Coleman Funeral Home is in charge of arrangements.

Survivors include his wife, Dixie Dewees of Oxford, MS; two sons, Michael Dewees and wife, Mary Alice, of Big Sky, MT and Brad Dewees and wife, Audrey, of Oxford, MS.

In lieu of flowers, memorials may be made to The Dewees Family Scholarship in Law Endowment, UM Foundation, P.O. Box 249, University, MS 38677 or to the First Presbyterian Church Endowment Fund, 924 Van Buren Ave., Oxford, MS 38655.