



Larry "The Barber" D. Tedford

July 12, 1946 - May 19, 2026

Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford

Larry "The Barber" D. Tedford, 79, passed away on May 19, 2026 at his residence in Oxford, Mississippi.

A visitation will be held on Sunday, May 24, 2026 from 1:00 p.m. until 2:00 p.m. at Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford (601 Commerce Parkway, Oxford, MS, 38655). A memorial service will immediately follow on Sunday, May 24, 2026 at 2:00 p.m. in the chapel of Coleman Funeral Home with Bro. Fish Robinson officiating. Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford is in charge of arrangements.

Larry was born on July 12, 1946 in Dublin, Mississippi to the late Wayne and Nannie Lou Chapman Tedford.

Born with a natural gift for connecting with people, Larry began his lifelong career as a barber in 1964, a calling that became both his pride and his joy for over half a century.

Originally from Lurand, Mississippi, Larry honed his craft at Molars Barber School in Memphis, Tennessee, and quickly earned a reputation for his skilled hands and warm personality after graduation, and staying in Memphis to continue to cut hair and grow in the barber industry. In the 1980s, he moved to

Oxford, Mississippi, a place that would become his beloved home, and where he started to work at Park's Barbershop. There, Larry's unwavering dedication to his work and community flourished. In 2000, he realized a dream of wanting to have his own place, and he opened the iconic Larry's Barber Shop, a welcoming haven where stories were swapped, friendships were forged, and every customer felt like family.

A passionate fan of Ole Miss football and all Rebel sports, Larry rarely missed a game or an update. Whether chatting with clients or cheering from the stands, he followed every score and celebrated every victory. His devotion to Ole Miss athletics was matched only by his love for the Oxford community that embraced him.

Later in life, Larry found solace and strength in his faith, discovering the Lord and deepening the kindness and compassion that already defined him.

Larry's chair may now be empty, but his spirit lives on in the countless lives he touched, with a steady hand, a listening ear, and a generous heart. He will be famously remembered for his quick wit, local commercials, and his unforgettable trademark parting words to every single customer; "Don't forget your stick." Larry will be deeply missed by his family, friends, loyal customers, and all who had the pleasure of knowing "The Barber."

He is survived by his son, Steven Douglas Tedford of Oxford; his five daughters, Stephanie Leonard, Denise Woods (Gilbert), and Elizabeth Danford (Mike) all of Oxford, Martha Joyce Boyd (Joshua) of Longview, WA, and Kellye Blair Blakeney (Jamie) of Springdale, AR; 18 grandchildren; 9 great-grandchildren; a brother, Gerald Dean Tedford of Southaven, MS; special friend, Scott Michael; a host of nieces, nephews, and extended family members.

Larry is preceded in death by his parents, Wayne and Nannie Lou Chapman Tedford; a sister, Bobbie Jean Mangilardi; and two brothers, William and Rodney Tedford.

In lieu of flowers, the family asks that any donations or memorials made in honor of Larry be made to a charity of the donor's choice.

The staff at Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford is honored to serve the family during this challenging season of life. Condolences may be expressed online on his Tribute wall at www.colemanfuneralhomeox.com.

Upcoming Events

Visitation

MAY **24**. 1:00 PM - 2:00 PM (CT)

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Memorial Service

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