



Lynn Miller Sloan

November 16, 1950 - January 6, 2026

Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford

Lynn Reese Miller Sloan was born on November 16, 1950, in Chattanooga, Tennessee, and passed away peacefully at her home in Oxford, Mississippi, on Tuesday, January 6, 2026. She was a devoted wife, mother, grandmother, educator, counselor, and servant to her community—a woman whose life was defined by compassion, faith, and an unwavering commitment to others.

The family will receive friends on Saturday, January 10, 2026, from 2:00 PM until 4:00 PM at Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford. The memorial service celebrating her life will occur immediately following the visitation, beginning at 4:00 PM in the chapel of Coleman Funeral Home with Rev. Ryan Dean officiating.

The beloved wife of William T. Sloan, Lynn and Bill recently celebrated their 55th anniversary. Their love story began with a blind date—one that Lynn initially gave Bill a hard time about—but his perseverance clearly worked. They married when she was just 19 years old and built a life together that spanned more than six decades. After visiting her sister at Ole Miss while still in high school, Lynn famously declared she would never spend another summer in the Mississippi heat. Ironically, Oxford became her lifelong home, where she and Bill raised their family and poured their hearts into the

community they loved.

She was preceded in death by her father, Felix G. Miller, Jr.; her mother, Jeanne Reese Allison; and her brother, Felix G. Miller, III. She is survived by her sister, Patricia Mathis; her stepsister, Felicia James; and her stepmother, Shirley Miller.

Lynn is survived by her husband, as well as her children: Sarah Hollis (Jeffrey) of Oxford, Mississippi; Catherine Sylvester (Jeremy) of Lexington, Kentucky; Mary Thompson (Scott) of Birmingham, Alabama; Brad Sloan (Susan) of Birmingham, Alabama; and goddaughter, Adrienne Seligman of Nashville, Tennessee.

She was the proud grandmother of nine grandchildren, who were truly her pride and joy: Hayes and Sloan Hollis of Oxford, Mississippi; Luke, Joseph, and Thomas Sylvester, of Lexington, Kentucky; Lucy and Samuel Thompson, of Birmingham, Alabama; and Cobb and Miller Sloan, of Birmingham, Alabama.

Lynn attended the University of Mississippi, where she joined Kappa Kappa Gamma sorority and earned a Bachelor's degree in Education. She began her career as an English teacher in Holly Springs, Mississippi. She later taught at Lafayette High School, where she spent many years shaping young minds.

When she and Bill started their family, Lynn chose to step away from the classroom to become a full-time homemaker and dedicated community volunteer. She was deeply involved in organizations such as The Women's Book Club, Coterie, and KKG alumni and advisory groups. She poured herself wholeheartedly into her children's lives—serving as a classroom mom, Girl Scout and Boy Scout leader, and faithful supporter at every sporting event, scout ceremony, science fair, school play, beauty pageant, and a myriad of

youth programs.

As her children grew, so did Lynn's service to the Oxford community. She returned to education as a gifted program specialist and was instrumental in establishing the drama program at Oxford Middle School, providing opportunities for students to discover confidence and creativity. Lynn later earned a Master's degree in Educational Psychology and became a passionate mental health provider with Communicare, serving students and families in the Lafayette County School District. As a counselor, she offered wisdom to teens navigating personal struggles, encouragement to parents facing difficult seasons, and tangible support for children in need. She also served as the Career and Technical Education counselor at the Business and Industrial Complex, helping countless students identify career paths aligned with their interests and talents.

After more than 20 years serving local school districts, Lynn attempted retirement and thoroughly enjoyed weekly lunches with other retired educators. However, her retirement was short-lived, and Lynn helped to lead an effort that resulted in a freestanding clinic offering consistent medical services to residents of both Lafayette and Yalobusha counties. As Executive Director of Oxford Medical Ministries Clinic, she worked alongside medical professionals and volunteers to provide care for the working uninsured. Following her time at OMMC, Lynn continued to channel her heart for service by founding the Run for Hope, a half-marathon in Oxford benefiting children with diabetes attending Camp Hopewell.

Her efforts were recognized when she was named a Paul Harris Fellow by the Rotary Club of Oxford and later as a Women of Distinction honoree by the Girl Scouts of Greater Mississippi.

Faith was central to Lynn's life. As a longtime member of College Hill

Presbyterian Church, she served on numerous committees and remained active in church life for many years. She was also a loyal participant in the Explorer's Bible Study. Lynn often said her goal was simply to involve herself in work that gave back to others—a goal she fulfilled many times over.

Above all else, “Reese” was an extraordinary grandmother. “Camp Sloan” became legendary among her nine grandchildren, filled with pool parties that often included visits from the ice cream man, years of cousin camps, special one-on-one visits, story times on the Square, and countless hours crafting and baking in her kitchen. Her grandchildren reflect on their time with her with deep fondness, gratitude, and love.

Lynn’s legacy lives on through the lives she touched—as a teacher, counselor, leader, friend, mother, and grandmother. Whatever the need or challenge, Lynn was there—quietly, faithfully, and wholeheartedly. She leaves behind a community that is stronger, kinder, and better because she was part of it. Memorial contributions may be made to the College Hill Presbyterian Church Building Campaign www.chpcoxford.org.

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 her Tribute wall at www.colemanfuneralhomeox.com

Previous Events

Visitation

JAN 10. 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM (CT)

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Memorial Service

JAN 10. 4:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford created a Webcast in memory of Lynn Miller Sloan



Coleman Funeral Home - January 10 at 02:19 PM

CR

Mary! So well said! Your mama always made room at the table. Some of my favorite childhood memories were on the bench at your dining table-around the kitchen counter or around the tables set outside on Easter. My goodness it is not on me that she always made room around the Sloan table for me. Love y'all so munch!!! ❤️ Collins

collins cochet ryan - January 16 at 10:42 AM

CM

Bill I'm so very sorry to hear about Lynn You both mean alot to Dan and I We go back a long way Praying for you and the family I miss her very much Carolyn Montz

Carolyn Montz - February 03 at 11:26 PM

JH

“ With much sympathy to Sarah and all the Sloans. Lynn's loving spirit will live long in the good works of her family and at College Hill Presbyterian and the many other Oxford organizations she served so selflessly for so many years. Thank you for posting photos that capture her sense of joy.

Joan Hall - January 16 at 01:56 PM

MS

“ Thanks Be To God For The Life Of Lynn Miller Sloan A Faithful Servant To Her Master. May She Forever Rest In Peace. A Beautiful Service In Memory Of A Wonderful Friend. God Bless! Mary Evelyn and Maclin Smith

Mary Evelyn and Maclin Smith - January 10 at 07:23 PM

JT

“ My favorite memory of my lovely cousin Lynn was this: Her sister Tricia put me up to a practical joke. On her wedding day Tricia had me put “loads” into Lynn’s cigarettes. Around lunchtime, Lynn stormed into the house and tore me a new one. I was about eight years old. Years later, I visited the Sloans. Everyone including every child was the definition of true Southern Grace. By that time Lynn had forgiven me....and quit smoking.

My heart crumbled when I heard the news of Lynn’s passing. My wife died similarly in September. I thank God neither of them suffered in passing. I’m sure both of them are going to greet me, arms crossed, in the Afterlife!

May peace rain down upon the entire family like a monsoon. I just couldn’t make it today, I will visit soon.

Enough loss in one year-may 2025 somehow be epic for everyone.

Damn, this hurts!!!!

Jim Thompson

707-799-5427



Jim Thompson - January 10 at 03:26 PM

CC

“ So sorry for the Sloan Family. We will remember all the good times we had with their family. Our Prayers are with you. The Culotta Family.
Tom, Connie, Sophie, Matthew, and Sydney.



Connie Culotta - January 09 at 09:00 PM



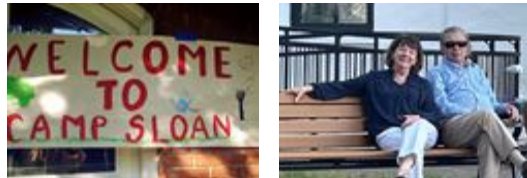
“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Lynn Miller Sloan.



January 09 at 08:15 PM



“ 2 files added to the album Life Tributes



Coleman Funeral Home - January 09 at 03:33 PM

GG

“ My thoughts are with you, Bill, in your time of grief. My, oh my, Lynn's obituary is an inspiring story of a life well lived, and that was clearly impactful to many. - Gerry Gafford

Gerry Gafford - January 09 at 03:23 PM

CR

*i'm so very sorry for your loss. she was a wonderful lady and friend.
prayers 🙏🙏*

cathy russell - January 09 at 07:38 PM

SF

“ *Sotherland Family purchased the Peaceful White Lilies Basket for the family of Lynn Miller Sloan.*



Sotherland Family - January 09 at 02:38 PM

JA

“ *Bill and your family, so sorry for your loss. Reese was such a joy to be around. May God bless and give you comfort. John Allison*

John Allison - January 09 at 01:52 PM

DW

“ *1 file added to the tribute wall*



Dianne Webb - January 09 at 01:30 PM

BM

You rock, Lynn!

Barbara Gay Mitchell - January 09 at 04:58 PM

DW

“ Lynn loved fiercely, her husband, her children, her grandchildren, her friends, but most of all she loved her Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. Bill, Sarah, Catherine, Mary, and Brad, you are in my prayers. One day we will all be together again in His presence. Praise be to God, for His servant, Lynn Sloan.

Dianne Webb - January 09 at 01:21 PM

BM

My cousin Lynn was the closest thing I had to a sister. We played as children and then became closer as we lost our parents. She was always there for me. Thank God for Lynn Sloan and may we follow her fine example. 🙏💕

Barbara Gay Mitchell - January 09 at 05:09 PM

CD

“ Collier Dental purchased the Love's Journey for the family of Lynn Miller Sloan.



Collier Dental - January 09 at 11:52 AM



“ 49 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Coleman Funeral Home - January 09 at 11:49 AM



“ *The Tosh Family purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Lynn Miller Sloan.*



The Tosh Family - January 09 at 11:37 AM



“ *Divine Peace Bouquet was purchased for the family of Lynn Miller Sloan.*



January 09 at 11:26 AM

RW

“ Lynn’s legacy will always be remembered through her devotion to family and community and I am honored to be considered a friend. My condolences to your entire family. A dear friend is gone but will never be forgotten.

Dr Becky

Rebecca P Winsett PhD

Former director of diabetes sessions of Camp Hopewell

Rebecca P Winsett - January 09 at 10:25 AM

LJ

“ Love- John, Joann, Abby and Jack purchased the Beautiful in Blue for the family of Lynn Miller Sloan.



Love- John, Joann, Abby and Jack - January 09 at 10:06 AM



“ Simply Elegant Spathiphyllum was purchased for the family of Lynn Miller Sloan.



January 09 at 09:33 AM

SJ

“ Shannon and Jax purchased the Forever Our Angel Bouquet for the family of Lynn Miller Sloan.



Shannon and Jax - January 09 at 07:46 AM



“ . purchased the Lavender Reflections Spray for the family of Lynn Miller Sloan.



. - January 08 at 11:13 PM



“ Country Basket Blooms was purchased for the family of Lynn Miller Sloan.



January 08 at 09:58 PM



“ Gay Thompson Mitchell purchased the Full Of Love Bouquet for the family of Lynn Miller Sloan.



Gay Thompson Mitchell - January 08 at 09:43 PM



“ Lynn's bright smile lit up the room when she walked in. Her love for God, family, friends and her community was indeed evident. She was a true blessing particularly to those in need.

janet Davis - January 08 at 05:38 PM

JD

“ *janet Davis lit a candle in memory of Lynn Sloan*



janet Davis - January 08 at 05:30 PM