



Margaret Elliotte Tatum

December 10, 1955 - September 11, 2023

Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford

Ms. Margaret Elliotte Tatum, 67, passed away Monday, September 11, 2023 in Oxford, MS. Visitation will be Wednesday, September 20, 2023 from 1:00 p.m. to 3:00 p.m. at Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford (601 Commerce Pkwy., Oxford, MS 38655). A funeral service will immediately follow at 3:00 p.m. also at Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford. Interment will be in the Garden of Memory's Mausoleum. Bro. Fish Robinson will officiate. Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford is in charge of arrangements.

Ms. Tatum was born on December 10, 1955 in Memphis, TN. As a young lady, she was always extremely dedicated to whatever she put her mind to, and she was a caretaker to everyone, always putting the wellbeing of others first. Ms. Tatum took these God-given traits and used them to pursue a career in the medical field. She worked diligently to obtain her Nursing degree from Methodist Hospital School of Nursing. She proudly worked for Methodist Hospital as a Registered Nurse, and soon decided to further her education. Ms. Tatum then worked to receive not only her Bachelor's degree, but her Master's degree in Healthcare Administration from St. Francis College. She ended her career working as the administrator for the Baptist Surgery Center in Oxford. She absolutely loved her job and her career, and she forever held every friend, co-worker, and patient close to her heart.

Ms. Tatum was a member of the American Nurses Association and many organizations throughout her life that supported her career, the healthcare industry, and the community. She was also a member of Community Church in Oxford. Ms. Tatum had a personality as bright as the sun, and she was always so loving and positive no matter what situation life threw at her. She loved others unconditionally, and she had a way of making friends everywhere she went. She was so eager to help others and always put her family and friends as a priority. She will truly be missed by all who knew her.

Ms. Tatum is survived by her son, Elliotte Tatum of Oxford; her sister, Nancy (Larry) Lannin of Knoxville, TN; her brother, Paul T. Elliotte of Memphis, TN; her life partner, Mitch McCracken of Oxford; and a host of nieces, nephews, extended family members, and beloved friends.

Ms. Tatum was preceded in death by her husband, Paul Tatum; and her parents, Alfred Elliotte and Helen Margaret Elliotte.

Donations and memorials in honor of Ms. Margaret Elliotte Tatum may be made to the family (c/o Elliotte Tatum, 212 James Circle, Oxford, MS 38655).

Online condolences may be left on her Tribute Wall at www.colemanfuneralhome.com.

Cemetery Details

Garden of Memories Cemetery

295 Mississippi Highway 7 North
Oxford, MS 38655

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 20. 1:00 PM - 3:00 PM (CT)

Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford
601 Commerce Parkway
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Funeral Service

SEP 20. 3:00 PM (CT)

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Tribute Wall



“ Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford created a Tribute Video in memory of Margaret Elliotte Tatum



Coleman Funeral Home - September 19, 2023 at 04:15 PM



“ Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford created a Webcast in memory of Margaret Elliotte Tatum



Coleman Funeral Home - September 19, 2023 at 03:00 PM

NL

Margaret, or Maggie, as she was called back then was my first roommate at Methodist Hospital School of Nursing. We were the female version on the Odd Couple! Her with her Jethro Tull poster and me with my stuffed animals. She wore nothing but jeans and I didn't own a pair. Boy was she fun to live with and get to know. Just remembering those happy times makes me sure that she's the most popular angel in heaven...just went way too soon. Love you Maggie and thanks for the memories!

Nancy Landrum - September 20, 2023 at 03:34 PM

NL

She thought the world of you and so did our parents, I remember mom would crack up laughing at the stories you told our mom. Margaret was probably afraid to tell them. Take care sweet girl.

Nancy Lannin - September 21, 2023 at 12:02 AM

NL

*“ God gave people sisters to have someone else to love.” The two most famous sisters in the New Testament are Mary and Martha. The Bible says, “Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus” (John 11:5). I loved and looked up to my sister with all my heart. We shared fun times and sad times with all the growing pains of childhood. She wore big curlers in her hair every night and I was a chronic bedwetter. Uh! That full size bed had seen the test of time upon her departure to nursing school at Methodist Hospital dormitory. We had rock solid Christian parents with the ambition of creating their children to become independent and stewards of The Lord. I will miss her dearly only to have faith that we shall come together again. Laughing, planting flowers, cooking or simply just again, being sisters. Once again...I love you Sis💕💕
Nancy*



Nancy Lannin - September 20, 2023 at 11:42 PM

PH

“ I had the pleasure of working with Margret at LeBonheur East Surgery Center she was an excellent OR nurse and just fun to be around she will be missed. My Deepest Sympathy, Pam Haithcock

Pam Haithcock - September 20, 2023 at 05:05 PM

LR

“ I knew her as Margaret , first as high school friends and then as we went through nursing school. Those days in nursing school were fun and stressful at the same time. I always knew she would be a great nurse . Margaret was determined and as others have said so kind and positive . Talking with mutual nurse friends this past week they remember her from her Methodist days always adding how much they liked her. Prayers lifted to her son, siblings , Mitch and many family and friends for comfort in the days ahead . 🙏 Heaven just got a good one.

Linda and Gary Rosenblatt

Linda Rosenblatt - September 20, 2023 at 04:01 PM

BW

“ Maggie was Margaret when I met so many many years ago...we were Rainbow girls at Normal Assembly..of course I was older but it was so much fun watching Margaret grow into a young lady...your Mitch, family and friends will miss your beautiful smile....until we meet again...🌈 love, Brenda Williams

brenda williams - September 20, 2023 at 02:31 PM

CM

“ Margaret and I were suite mates at Methodist Hospital School of Nursing back in 1974. She was delightful and full of fun. After graduation, we both were employed by Methodist Hospital but in different practice areas- Margaret in surgery and me at the bedside. We would see each other from time to time and share news about our lives. I know she will be missed by the friends she knew in nursing school and all the nurses and other staff members in the ORs where she worked. A life taken too soon. I send my condolences to Margaret's family and all her friends.

Carolyn Mayo - September 20, 2023 at 11:12 AM



“ 22 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Coleman Funeral Home - September 19, 2023 at 03:07 PM



Maggie came into my life in 2016. She showed me what unconditional love was. She showed me her kind and loving heart. She made me a better person. We had a wonderful life together. We laughed together every day. We were so happy together until cancer came knocking at our door. Standing by her when she was so sick was my honor and duty. I will love her for the rest of my life. She was truly a gift from God.

Mitch McCracken - September 20, 2023 at 12:53 PM

SP

“ *Maggie was the best boss. She hired me at Methodist hospital in 1992. I worked with her at several places over the years. Maggie and I kept in touch by text. She was definitely one of a kind. Rest in peace my dear friend.*



Sherri Phillips - September 18, 2023 at 10:04 PM

AR

“ *Many, many years ago, we heard her mother-in-law Ethel Tatum, in Meridian, praising Margaret, her giving spirit and cheerful personality. Years later we resided in Oxford for three years, got to know Margaret and heartily agree with Ethel - truly Margaret was kind and helpful to all she met. May she rest in peace and her family find comfort. Addie and Fletcher Rosenbaum*

Addie Rosenbaum - September 18, 2023 at 08:02 PM