



Mary Nell Oliphant Cockrell

July 26, 1928 - January 1, 2022

Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford

Mary Nell Oliphant Cockrell, 93, died peacefully at home surrounded by her daughter and son Saturday, January 1, 2022. She was preceded in death by her parents, Lloyd and Daisye Oliphant; four brothers, Lloyd Gardner Oliphant, William Melvin Oliphant, Derald Wayne Oliphant, James Buford Oliphant; and two sisters Helen Sue Cisneros and Marty Oliphant Nichols.

She is survived by her daughter and son, Cana Belew and Claude Cockrell III (Yvonne). She was known as Granny to her two granddaughters, Olivia Belew and Jordan Cockrell Moffett (Caleb). Nell is also survived by her two sisters Sybil Cook, Kay Tutor (Dillard), and many nieces and nephews whom she loved.

Nell was a graduate of the University of Mississippi, and loved her Ole Miss Rebels. Nell was crowned Miss Oxford in 1950, and was the oldest living Miss Oxford. Nell loved her beloved Oxford, as she would say "Oxford is just another day in paradise." Nell will be remembered by her devoted love for her children, her deep faith, and everlasting beauty.

A memorial service will be held Friday, January 7, 2022, at 11:30 a.m. at Union West Baptist Church (794 County Road 313, Oxford, MS 38655). A

graveside service will be held afterwards at Browning Cemetery in Oxford.

Please leave online condolences on her Tribute Wall at www.colemanfuneralhome.com.

Cemetery Details

Browning Cemetery

CR 313
Oxford, MS 38655

Previous Events

Memorial Service

JAN 7. 11:30 AM (CT)

Union West Baptist Church
794 CR 313
Oxford, MS 38655

Graveside Service

JAN 7 (CT)

Browning Cemetery
CR 313
Oxford, MS 38655

Tribute Wall



“ *White Mum and Red Lily Mix (Silk Cemetery Flowers) was purchased for the family of Mary Nell Oliphant Cockrell.*



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“ *I met Nell when she worked at the State Farm Insurance office in West Memphis, Arkansas in 1973. I would see her every month when I would go there to pay my bill and she would ask about people in Oxford when she learned that I went to school with Lloyd and Danny. She was a very nice and pleasant lady.*

*Terrie Thomas Johnson
Water Valley*

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