



Mykki Newton

January 9, 1959 - July 3, 2021

Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford

"Don't compromise yourself. You're all you've got." - Janis Joplin

Mykki Newton, 62, of Oxford, Mississippi died unexpectedly on Saturday, July 3, 2021. Her loss was completely unexpected and her family and friends are shocked and deeply saddened.

Mykki Newton was born on January 9, 1959, to John B. and Patsy Lee Newton in Huntsville, AL, and leaves behind her brother, Ron (Carolyn) Newton; her sister Pam (Angie Brotherton) Rogers; a nephew Ron (Haylee) Newton Jr; a niece Angela Pinchon; and many cousins and extended family members. Mykki received education from both the Lee Strasburg Theatre Institute and The Actor's Studio as an actor. But she also received her Bachelor of Communications and Master of Fine Arts in Theatre. She worked as a broadcast journalist and filmmaker. She worked at the University of Mississippi for 25+ years and retired in Spring 2021. Since 2006 she was part of the School of Journalism and New Media and helped students rent film equipment. She called the department her family.

Mykki also spent time as a filmmaker and, in her garden, and spending time with her cats. She also loved visiting with people at Uptown Coffee and the

Oxford Community Market.

Anyone who knew Mykki knew that she was amazing and good-spirited and had a poetic sense of fashion. She had an immense passion for classic B-film and was always a source of positivity. Mykki's family and friends will miss her more than words can say. Oxford will be less of a place without her.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to 9 Lives Cat Rescue in Oxford, MS.

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

Tribute Wall

PH

“ So very sad to have just learned of the passing of my dear childhood friend. I grew up with Mike in Huntsville, but never came to know Mykki as we drifted apart over the years. We had great times together in middle and high school, doing all the stuff that teenagers do. I noticed that Kelly left a remembrance also. We all hung out together in the same neighborhood, riding bicycles, playing sports, and getting in to harmless mischief. Mike drove a blue Plymouth Duster in high school and I always thought that was the coolest car. We would all pile into it after school and go riding around, listening to Bad Company 8-track tapes. He loved Bad Company !! I am so happy that Mykki found a community where she could grow professionally and become her true self, and allow that unfettered free spirit to reach full potential. As evidenced by all the tributes, Mykki touched so many lives and find a place where she belonged. Rest in Peace my dear friend, you are in a better place.

Philip D. Hamner - July 28, 2021 at 11:47 AM

KC

*Philip, would love to hear from u, ur old friend
Kelly.creekbyron39@gmail.com*

Kelly Creek - August 19, 2021 at 06:50 PM

KC

“ I didn't have the pleasure,of knowing Mykki.But I must say I grew up with Mike.Even back then he was a very caring dear friend of mine.We hung out together when we were growing up,and did the crazy things u do.One good memory i had was when he bought a 1958 Chevy for \$1.He wanted to jack up the rear,so he installed wooden blocks under the rear axel.I have to tell u that was one rough ride.We could only drive around the neighborhood,because it would not come out of first gear.All of us died laughing,riding around in that car.Thats one of best memories I have of my friend.If this world had more Mykkies,it would be a much better place to live.Rest in peace my friend,and I know ur up there with other family members,and of course some of ur cats.

Kelly Creek - July 21, 2021 at 04:51 PM

JW

“ I was one of Mykki's Uptown coffee friends. Easy to engage, we discovered that she knew my son who was a graduate of her department and now working on campus. She was always kind, thoughtful and interested in those around her. I loved seeing what she selected to wear every day!! I was so sorry to read of her death. Please know that she will be missed.

Joyce Whittington - July 11, 2021 at 06:07 AM

DO

“ Mykki, we are all better for having known you. I will miss your cat updates and the movie reviews. Rest in the sweet love of eternal peace.

Dona - July 10, 2021 at 09:36 PM

KA

“ *You had the kindest soul. It was an honor to call you my friend. Rest In Peace Mykki!!!*



Karen - July 05, 2021 at 07:52 PM