



Rebekah Newell Tettleton

August 31, 2016

Rebekah Newell Tettleton, 28, died Aug. 31, 2016, at Baptist Memorial Hospital in Oxford, Mississippi.

Visitation will be from 4 to 7 p.m. on Friday, Sept. 2, 2016, at Coleman Funeral Home. Funeral services will be at 11 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 3, 2016, at First Baptist Church of Oxford, with an hour of visitation prior to the funeral. Burial will be in Oxford Memorial Cemetery.

Born in Hattiesburg, Rebekah grew up in Meridian and had lived in Oxford for 10 years. She was homeschooled before attending the University of Mississippi, where she graduated with double majors in history and classical civilization while working long hours to help pay for her schooling.

Rebekah was assistant circulation manager for the Oxford Eagle and had previously worked at the Mississippi Federal Credit Union. A member of First Baptist Church, she taught AWANA classes for several years and was eager to spend time with her church family. Jeremiah 29:11 was her life verse: “For I know the plans that I have for you,’ declares the LORD, ‘plans for welfare and not for calamity to give you a future and a hope.’”

Second only to her Lord and her family, Rebekah was excited about history from early American to ancient Egyptian. Her travels took her to Williamsburg, several U.S. Presidents’ homes and other historic sites.

Other passions included piano, her owl and cross collections, football, and an eclectic mix of movies, TV miniseries and books. She will be buried with a volume of Jane Austen’s work.

Rebekah was known as the consummate gift giver, shopping throughout the year for presents so perfect that recipients were often left speechless or tearful.

Survivors include her parents, Robert P. and Kerri McDaniel Tettleton, sisters Elizabeth and Rachel Tettleton, and grandparents Robert L. Tettleton (deceased), Mary Sue Tettleton, and Darrell and Pat McDaniel, all of Oxford. Additional survivors include uncles Philip Tettleton, John Tettleton and John Ferguson; aunts Becky Tettleton, Anna Tettleton and Laurabeth Ferguson; and cousins William Ferguson, Daniel Ferguson, Emma Grace Ferguson, Gray Tettleton, Saylor Tettleton, Maeve Tettleton, Candace Bailey and Larry (Andrea) Bailey.

She also leaves behind several dear friends, including Summer Kill of Olive Branch, Maegan Mallon of Olive Branch, and Susan Alderman of Madison. The Tettleton family wishes to express thanks to the Intensive Care Unit nurses and other staff at Baptist Memorial Hospital as well as to Dr. Bubba Morgan, Dr. Pearson Wyndham, and Dr. Jeff Evans in Oxford and Dr. Barbara Murphy and Dr. Evan C. Osmundson at Vanderbilt University Cancer Center. Rebekah's mother said the one regret Rebekah likely had about the shortness of her life was missing the chance to marry and have a family.

"As my mom said, we thought she was going to find her Prince Charming," Kerri Tettleton said, "but the Prince of Peace was hers."

Memorials can be made to the American Cancer Society - Hope Lodge, 2008 Charlotte Avenue, Nashville, TN 37203.

Online condolences may be left on the Tribute Wall of this website.

Cemetery Details

Oxford Memorial Cemetery

Oxford, MS

Previous Events

Visitation

SEP 2. 4:00 PM - 7:00 PM (CT)

Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford
601 Commerce Parkway
Oxford, MS 38655
(662) 234-3900
info@colemanfuneralhome.com
<https://www.colemanfuneralhome.com/>

Visitation

SEP 3. 10:00 AM - 11:00 AM (CT)

First Baptist Church of Oxford
800 Van Buren Ave.
Oxford, MS

Service

SEP 3. 11:00 AM (CT)

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800 Van Buren Ave.
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Tribute Wall



“ Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford created a Tribute Video in memory of Rebekah Newell Tettleton



Coleman Funeral Home - September 01, 2016 at 07:40 PM



“ Rachel Tettleton lit a candle in memory of Rebekah Newell Tettleton



Rachel Tettleton - February 24, 2025 at 12:34 PM



“ Beautiful Dreams was purchased for the family of Rebekah Newell Tettleton .

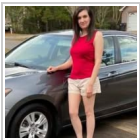


September 06, 2016 at 04:44 PM

RM

“ We only met your family once, thru the Gross' and they have kept us up to date on your family. Our hearts go out to you and the girls during this very painful loss. I know our God who you very visibly follow will comfort your hearts thru these dark days. We grieve with you on the loss of Rebekah presence but rejoice mightly knowing she is with the Lord. My words are powerless and pitiful but our prayers for you are storming the gates of heaven.

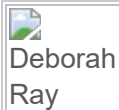
Randy & Lisa Martin - September 05, 2016 at 07:05 AM



“ Allison Mckay lit a candle in memory of Rebekah Newell Tettleton



Allison Mckay - September 03, 2016 at 07:13 PM



“ I'm so very sorry for your loss. I work for MSFCU in Grenada and got to talk to Rebekah on the phone a few times. She was always very polite and I enjoyed speaking with her. I also got to sit next to her at the 2014 Christmas party and enjoyed getting to know her a little better. I pray God will be with you. I know it's a hard road you are walking. I pray He will give you peace and strength to walk it. God bless you.

Deborah Ray

Deborah Ray - September 03, 2016 at 05:34 PM

AM

Kerri and Robert ... Your daughter was a remarkable young lady and I am sure it was because of you, her parents and the upbringing you gave her... The love of Christ shined all around Rebekah and I am so proud that I got to know her while she worked in Financial Aid before my retirement...I know she is rejoicing with her Lord and all the other angels in Heaven...I am rejoicing that one day we will all meet again...Thinking and praying for you all...love, Ann Mason

Ann Mason - September 04, 2016 at 11:41 AM

SM

“*Robert and Kerri we are soo sorry for the loss of your daughter Rebekah, I wish there were words to say to ease the heart ache ya'll are feeling. Know that Rick and I will be praying for you and your families.*

*Much love,
Rick & Susie Saucier McNeely*

*"He heals the broken-hearted and binds up their wounds"
Psalm 147:3*

Susan Saucier McNeely - September 03, 2016 at 03:15 PM

GR

“*Gina Russell lit a candle in memory of Rebekah Newell Tettleton*



Gina Russell - September 02, 2016 at 03:29 PM

JR

“ *Jonnie Ragland lit a candle in memory of Rebekah Newell Tettleton*



Jonnie Ragland - September 02, 2016 at 02:03 PM

KB

“ *Keith Black lit a candle in memory of Rebekah Newell Tettleton*



keith black - September 02, 2016 at 11:46 AM

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“ *6 files added to the album LifeTributes*



Natalie - September 01, 2016 at 11:04 PM

JM

“ *PRAYING FOR THE FAMILY SHE WAS SUCH A SWEET PERSON.MEET HER AT THE CREDIT UNION.*

Jacqueline McIntosh - September 01, 2016 at 10:56 PM

DS

“ *Rebekah was my student in Spanish at Ole Miss and always had a big smile on. She was such a sweet person and will be greatly missed. Hugs and prayers for her family!* ”



Diana Semmes - September 01, 2016 at 10:30 PM

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Diana Semmes - September 01, 2016 at 10:29 PM

AP

“ *Ann Pettis lit a candle in memory of Rebekah Newell Tettleton* ”



Ann Pettis - September 01, 2016 at 09:39 PM



“ 49 files added to the album *Life Tributes*



Coleman Funeral Home - September 01, 2016 at 07:35 PM

KB

I liked Rebekah a lot, got to know her family recently, great sense of humor and fun to be around. My condolences to you Robert , Keri, Elizabeth and Rachel

keith black - September 02, 2016 at 11:45 AM