



Tommie Carter Waters

August 25, 1935 - January 28, 2021

Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford

Tommie Waters, 85, of Oxford, MS, passed away peacefully and surrounded by family members on Thursday, January 28, 2021. A private memorial service will be held at a later date. Coleman Funeral Home of Oxford is in charge of arrangements.

Tommie was born to Thomas and Bessie Carter. She graduated Booneville High School where she played basketball and was crowned Homecoming Queen. Tommie attended Northeast Junior College. Her course work involved medical secretary skills which she used for several years working in doctor's offices. In addition, she served in secretarial positions at Oxford Church of Christ and Mary Kay. She also worked at Oxford Fabric Center.

"Sweet Ms. Tommie", as everyone referred to her, was a very active member of Oxford Church of Christ where she taught 2 year olds, worked in the nursery, served as a greeter, hosted showers, and started the food program. Tommie was a very active worker in the World Bible School program. She also worked at the Pantry and had her own personal card ministry.

Family was very important to her. Of all the things she enjoyed doing, making a home was the most important to her. Her church, her girls, and her

grandsons were her world. She made many dresses for her girls, but the most gorgeous dresses she ever made were both their wedding dresses. She loved celebrating every special day in their lives and every accomplishment they had. Beverly and Elizabeth will always remember many girl's trips with just the three of them. She loved serving as their Brownie troop leader when they were younger. Tommie assisted and encouraged Wade, Beverly, and Elizabeth until all three had completed their college educations and earned their degrees. When grandchildren came along, she loved being a part of audiences anytime they were performing.

Tommie was a very artistic seamstress, mastering French hand sewing and smocking. She also enjoyed toll painting and ceramics. Tommie was quite an entertainer, and many have enjoyed sitting at her table. She was an amazing cook. She also enjoyed her membership in University Dames for many years.

Tommie was loved by everyone who knew her, and she was never seen without that big smile on her face. She will be deeply missed. She leaves a legacy of faith, unconditional love, and extreme patience to her daughters, grandsons, and her son in law that she loved like a son.

She is survived by her husband, Dr. Wade Waters; two daughters, Beverly Waters and Elizabeth (David) Coon; and three grandsons, Sean Nichols, Russell Coon, and Walker Coon.

She was preceded in death by her parents, Thomas and Bessie Carter.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests memorials be sent to the Pinevale Children's Home (1872 County Road 700, Corinth, MS 38834) or St. Jude Children's Research Hospital (P.O. Box 1893, Memphis, TN 38101-9950).

Please leave online condolences on the Tribute Wall at www.colemanfuneralh

ome.com.

Tribute Wall

GC

“ The earliest memory I have of Ms. Tommie is of her, Joyce Chadwell, and Glenda Hendrix teaching Sunday school. I was about 6 or 7 and they were having the class memorize the books of the Bible. I was very motivated to accomplish this task because Ms. Tommie, Ms. Joyce and Ms. Glenda used the oldest motivational trick in the book....candy.....a Milky Way to be exact. Not to mention I really wanted to beat Gina Davis at being first to do this. I didn't beat Gina but I did recite Genesis all the way through Revelation. I will always give credit to Ms. Tommie, Ms. Joyce and Ms. Glenda for me knowing all the books of the Bible. #shewillbemissed #sweetsoul

Glenn Coleman - February 02, 2021 at 01:38 PM

SS

“ Mrs Waters hosted my wedding shower, being that I was from Arkansas and OCC was Ben's home church, I didn't know the ladies spoiling me that day. How I grew to love them. Mrs Waters would even keep my out of town babies in the nursery or visit with me while I sat in the nursery too. I didn't leave my kids often, so entrusting them to her demonstrates how much I grew to love, respect and appreciate her over the past 30 years! Oh how I will miss her bright smile and personal words when we visit! She was a jewel and I am blessed to have known and loved her. ❤️ Sheila Shields

Sheila Shields - February 01, 2021 at 08:24 PM

CC

“ Ms Tommie was a fixture at the Oxford Church of Christ for as long as I can remember. She was such a wonderful example of a Christian woman. She was a dear friend of my Mother’s (Margaret Orf). My sympathies to Beverly, Elizabeth, and Dr Waters. Tommie, Margaret, and Elza (Dahl) are together again.
Carrie Walker Creedon

Carrie Walker Creefon - February 01, 2021 at 05:51 PM

RH

“ Miss Tommie was one of the best ladies to have known during our time in Oxford. She, along with several others dear to our hearts, always had a kind word, great hugs and a wonderful laugh to share. Miss Tommie had a great sense of humor. I miss the times I would get to sit and visit with her and Elza Dahl. We would laugh and laugh. I am blessed to have known Miss Tommie. Thank you for sharing her. Our prayers are with Elizabeth and Miss Tommie’s family and all who loved her. With love- Rena (Wheeler, Helyna and Haedyn) Howard

Rena Howard - February 01, 2021 at 04:45 PM

RH

“ I didn’t know Ms Tommie too many years, but I loved her immensely. Always smiling!!

Rebecca Hellums - February 01, 2021 at 04:21 PM

SD

“ We are so sorry about the passing of Miss Tommie. We did not know her, but we do know her sweet and caring daughter, Elizabeth. We are praying that our loving God wraps his arms around each of you and comforts you.

Susan Dempsey and Sarah Beth Tidwell

Susan Dempsey - February 01, 2021 at 02:09 PM

EW

“ My deepest condolences to Miss Tommie's family. She was the epitome of grace each time I had the pleasure to seeing her. Miss Tommie will be sorely missed by her many friends and acquaintances who were blessed to know her.

Ellen C. Weaver - February 01, 2021 at 12:33 PM

LS

“ I am so sorry for this loss. Ms. Tommie was a light and a gracious, caring person to everyone she met. She influenced others with her grace and love for the Lord.



Laura A Shields - January 30, 2021 at 11:09 AM

TD

I never knew this sweet lady but I did know her precious daughter and son in law! I grew to love her daughter when she showed me the love of Christ when she worked at Chaney's Drug Store many years ago! She married a man I do so admire and has been there for us through the years! I send my deepest sympathy and will be praying for them during this sad time! You were blessed to have her so many years - long life! ❤️

Teresa Davis - February 01, 2021 at 12:53 PM

JJ

My condolences to the family. She is loved and will be missed by many.

Jeanette James - February 01, 2021 at 02:12 PM

VH

I loved Tommy. When we moved to Oxford 24 years ago, she was one of the ladies that made us feel so welcome. She was kind, sweet and supportive and helped with so many bridal and baby showers. She was a great Christian lady!

vickie holleman - February 01, 2021 at 07:08 PM